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## Far Eastern Tension More Acute

### GRAVE WARNING BY AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER: AIR FORCES IN FAR EAST STRONG ENOUGH FOR ANY EMERGENCY: CHINESE STEPS TO THWART ATTACK ON BURMA ROAD

WITH THE FAR EASTERN CRISIS HOURLY GAINING MOMENTUM A GRAVE WARNING ON WHAT HE CALLED AUSTRALIA'S DANGER WAS SOUNDED BY MR. ROBERT G. MENZIES, PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA, YESTERDAY. THE COMMONWEALTH PREMIER WAS SPEAKING AT ADELAIDE.

"AUSTRALIA," HE SAID, "STANDS WITH BATED BREATH AT THE MOST VITAL HOUR IN HER HISTORY."

"BUT," HE ADDED, "AUSTRALIA HAS NEVER YET RUN AWAY FROM A FOE."

MR. JOHN MCEWEN, AUSTRALIAN MINISTER FOR AIR, SAID (ACCORDING TO A REUTER MESSAGE FROM SYDNEY) THAT THE EMPIRE AIR FORCES IN THE FAR EAST WERE STRONG ENOUGH FOR ANY EMERGENCY AND THAT THEY WERE BEING CONTINUALLY STRENGTHENED WITHOUT WEAKENING AUSTRALIA'S POWER.

FROM SINGAPORE COMES THE ENCOURAGING REPORT THAT HIGH-SPEED AMERICAN FIGHTER PLANES AND BRITISH BOMBERS ARE BASED ON BURMA'S NEW AIRFIELDS READY TO CRUSH ANY BOMER ATTACK JAPAN MIGHT TRY TO MAKE ON THE BURMA ROAD FROM THEIR RECENTLY ACQUIRED BASES IN INDO-CHINA.

The grave warning by Mr. Menzies corresponds with the prevailing impression in London that the Far Eastern tension has grown more acute.

### High-speed U.S. Fighter Planes On Burma Bases

"One of the answers to Japan's new strategic move into Indo-China is not in theory nor on paper, IT IS IN THE AIR—in the squadrons of high-speed American fighter planes," announced the Ministry of Information in an official statement in Singapore.

"THESE PLANES ARE FLYING OVER THE BURMA ROAD TO CHINA WHERE THEY ARE BEING ASSEMBLED AND FLOW ON TO BURMA'S AIR BASES. There they are ready to 'slash and chop to bits' any bomber attacks Japan might make from her new bases in Indo-China against the Burma Road—attacks which, if not resisted, might completely halt the steady flow of Lend and Lease assistance to China along this road."

The announcement states that American Lend and Lease material pouring into China from Burma is brought by land, sea and air, says Reuter.

### SINGAPORE STRONGEST FORTRESS IN WORLD

In a broadcast from London last night, MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY said that we may be profoundly thankful for our defence preparations in Malaya, Singapore, he said, was one of the strongest fortresses in the world and its strength was increasing from day to day.

Following the statements of "Hands off Thailand" by Mr. Anthony Eden and Mr. Cordell Hull, in answer to which the Japanese officials had expressed surprise, the Japanese Press was keeping up its barrage of innuendo and abuse and the people were warned that war against either Britain or the United States or both may come at any time.

#### ULTIMATE CONTROL

Japan began her southward move last March, followed up by the recent acquisition of bases in Indo-China, all this with the ultimate control of Thailand in view. Japan now had 50,000 troops in Indo-China many of whom were stationed on the Thai border.

The seizure of Thailand would be a direct threat to Burma and Singapore. In the north the Japanese had reinforcements in Korea and Manchuria constituting a direct threat to Vladivostok which was intended.

### BERLIN CLAIMS ARE RETRACTED

#### STUBBORN SOVIET RESISTANCE

In the face of the stubborn resistance by the Red Army, which has halted the Nazi offensive at most points, BERLIN last night was forced to retract some of the recent extravagant claims of successes issued by the Nazi Press, says Reuter.

Meanwhile, Moscow states that Soviet forces continued fighting in the directions of Kexho'm, Smolensk and Belaya-Tserkov and in the Estonian sector of the front.

In other directions and sectors, no major operations are said to have taken place. Once again, the Germans have modified their claims of successes.

On Wednesday night, they said that the battle of Smolensk had been brought to a victorious conclusion, but last night their broadcast reports from the front only said that the battle had reached its climax and was bearing fruit.

Again, on Wednesday the German High Command repeated its claim to have reached the gates of Kiev, but a German military commentator declared last night that so far only Nazi airmen had seen Kiev.

He added that a panzer division did get within 12 miles of the town but the support of infantry was needed for the capture of this strongly defended modern fortress.

#### DNIPIER DRIVE

It was thought in London yesterday that the German thrust towards Odessa on the Black Sea and their drive along the south bank of the River Dnieper is becoming fairly serious.

The Chinese Government has also been taking steps to thwart a Japanese attack on the Burma Road. The Chinese High Command has drawn up defence plans and Chinese troops have been satisfactorily disposed of in the province of Yunnan, on the Indo-China border.

Japanese press statements continue to be uncompromising and provocative, and the same trend is taken by the official spokesman and the radio. All of them are going to great lengths in an attempt to present a picture of democratic aggression aimed at conquering Thailand and encircling Japan.

The JAPAN TIMES, which is directly under Foreign Office influence, has even started a campaign for the independence of the N.E.I. It complains of British and American interference in Batavia and says that if only the N.E.I. were independent they might co-operate with Japan!

"The Thais will never run their blood," a commentator announced over the Bangkok Radio.

All propaganda concerning threats against Thailand's integrity, "only make us stronger in spirit and more determined to defend our country. Thailand does not need the protection of any power," the commentator added.

Alluding to Japanese troop concentrations on Thailand's eastern border and prophecies of a Japanese attack "within three days," the commentator said this is no longer a 19th century Thailand but the Thai people would unitedly resist any encroachment.

Questioned in the National Assembly, the Thai Deputy Minister of the Foreign Affairs said that the Thai Government was aware of the "concentration" of British troops on Thailand's western frontier but that it is not Thailand's policy to interfere in the affairs of other countries.

The Thai Government maintains the best relations with all Powers, he added.

"ENCIRCLEMENT" Despite the British Foreign Secretary's denial the Japanese

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### Today's News Summary

THE FAR EASTERN TENSION IS more acute. In Adelaide yesterday, the Australian Prime Minister uttered a grave warning that Australia was standing with bated breath at the most vital hour of her history.

FAST AMERICAN FIGHTER PLANES and British bombers are already based in new airfields in Burma ready to smash any Japanese attempt to attack the Burma Road by air. Chinese troops have been sent to Yunnan.

ON THE EASTERN FRONT, STUBBORN Russian resistance continues. Berlin has retracted some of the extravagant claims of Russian losses in troops and war material.

ESSEN AND HAMM WERE AMONG THE industrial areas in Germany visited by aircraft of the Bomber Command on Thursday night.

### WICKHAM STEED SAYS

### HITLER AND PEOPLE WORRIED ABOUT WAY IN WHICH THE WAR AGAINST RUSSIA IS GOING

"It does not follow that those of us who are trying to see the war as a whole and looking forward to the peace that shall bestow order and prosperity to a stricken world ought to divert our minds from the wider aspects of the war," said MR. H. WICKHAM STEED, the eminent authority on international affairs, when he gave his weekly broadcast from London yesterday reviewing events of the past week.

"ACCORDING TO AN INCREASING NUMBER OF REPORTS AND RUMOURS," began Mr. Steed, "THE GERMAN PEOPLE ARE WORRIED—WORRIED ABOUT THE WAY IN WHICH THE WAR AGAINST RUSSIA IS GOING AND HITLER TOO IS WORRIED. This does not mean, however, that the German war machine is breaking down but it will do us well to put ourselves in Hitler's place. This exercise of imagination will oblige us to put a girdle round the world in a few minutes to see the war as a whole.

"During the past week, the United States has given a sound warning to Vichy not to hand over Dakar or her West African colonies in the way that Indo-China was handed to Japan. That American warning bears against German designs in South America and the United States. It is even considered probable now that the trouble in Peru may have been due to German instigation.

"We don't know what Hitler's plans may be and we cannot know the mind of the puppets of Vichy or General Franco or Senor Salmeron to see whether they are willing to dance to Herr Hitler's tune, but we do know that German plans have been made for action against Britain and her Allies as well as against the United States and the South American Republics."

Mr. Steed said that whatever these German plans may be there was no doubt that they would depend on the course of the fighting in Russia.

But the warning given by the United States to Vichy was not the only warning that was given last week," said Mr. Steed. "Mr. Anthony Eden and Mr. Cordell Hull had warned the Japanese to keep their hands off Thailand. The policy of the Japanese may not be fully co-ordinative with the Germans but it may be pretty accurate to say that it is so. We know that German pressure on Vichy led to the Japanese occupation of Indo-China and the Japanese objective is now to threaten Burma and India in the South-East and Singapore, Australia and New Zealand.

Meanwhile, large sections of Shanghai, including the Bund, are deep under water and numerous trees, scaffolding, bill boards and telephone poles were blown down.

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### NEW FIREWOOD REGULATIONS

#### BY OUR STAFF REPORTER

As an indication of Government's intention to put an effective stop to the so-called "black market," the CONTROLLER OF STORES, with the consent of His Excellency the Governor, is introducing, as from today, a new set of regulations governing the trade in firewood.

The principal sections in these regulations are those which stipulate that:

(a) No firewood can be sold except under licence.

(b) A licensee can only sell his stock in the licensed premises.

(c) All licensees must keep account books of their purchases and sales. These books, as well as the premises, are to be open for inspection by any duly-accredited representative of the Stores Controller.

(d) The current price of firewood must be conspicuously displayed.

(e) Licensees are non-transferable, and those found to have been transferred will be cancelled immediately.

(f) Applicants for licences have to produce two photographs, one of which will be attached to the licence and the other kept in the records of the Stores Controller.

(g) All sales must be accompanied by sales slips; and

(h) Breach of any of the conditions of the licence will render it liable to immediate cancellation.

It was also learned that all the existing licences will be re-called and new ones issued.

### 23 GIRLS FOUND IN RAID BY THE S.C.A.

Another successful raid was carried out by Inspector G. W. Moreton, of the S.C.A., and a party of Chinese detectives, when they paid a surprise visit to the first floor of No. 306, Yu Chai Street, Shamshuipo, about 10.45 a.m. yesterday. On the premises were found a Chinese woman, who claimed to be the principal tenant, and 23 girls and children, the eldest being 19, and the youngest nine.

SIX of them said that the woman was their "auntie."

Some of the older girls have only recently arrived from Canton, while two or three of them were in possession of "entry permits" dated June, 1941.

The woman has been detained pending further investigation.

### N.E.I. To Revive Trade With China

BATAVIA, Aug. 8 (Reuter)—In the People's Council yesterday the Director of the Economic Department said, with regard to the N.E.I. relations with Japan, that the country would always welcome cheap Japanese products so far as these imports would not damage the N.E.I. export position but on the other hand the Government has never lost sight of the fact that the N.E.I. trade balance with Japan is very unfavourable and the obtaining of certain most important needs from one single country would give that country a powerful position which might be dangerous for the buyer.

Dr. van Mook reaffirmed that in the future new efforts would be made to revive trade with China.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 8 (Reuter)—Already beset by anxiety over the grave Far Eastern situation, the local dollar slumped to a new low today to add to the woes of the Shanghai dollar.

Opening at 3.1/64d, the dollar steadily dropped the whole day long until it closed at 2.7/8d, which is an all-time low.

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## WEEK-END BASEBALL:

LEAGUE LEADING MINDANAO  
TAKING NO CHANCES WITH  
SUPPOSEDLY WEAKER TEAMS

BY "R.O.Y."

Coming into the home stretch with the U.S.S. Mindanao well in front, main interest in the pennant race now lies in the battle for places in the first division. At 3 p.m. today, the Royal Engineers run up against the league leading Mindanaos and cannot expect to make up any lost ground at the expense of the current champions who, after their surprising defeat at the hands of the Hongkong Baseballers, are no longer inclined to take chances with the supposedly weaker outfields.

The only other match for this week-end will be the Chung Hwa Hongkong Baseballers clash on Sunday morning at 11 a.m. and this should be much the closer game of the two.

For this afternoon's game, "Ski" Powlawski will, of necessity, field his regular nine but fans are likely to see Hank Ruel take a turn on the mound instead of the redoubtable Polak. Tony Mascavage will keep his regular berth behind the plate but it is likely that several other experimental positional changes will be tried, with a view towards team-building for the future.

"Welfie" Welford will line-up Honest Tom Fox, Bob Foley, Shaw, Buck Taylor, Mickey Sarsfield, Jones, Gray and Cork, and these lads will still be in there trying despite the strength of the opposition. Arbiters selected to handle this fracas are "Granpop" Leung, Nip Lum and Richard Chung.

## NIP-TUCK AFFAIR

Tomorrow's battle should be a nip and tuck affair that will feature Nip Lum in action for the first time against his erstwhile teammate Wally Ching.

The acquisition of the services of Nip Lum, Mack Wong, and Johnny Fisher have strengthened the Club squad immeasurably and it would not be at all surprising if Hank Waggoner's Tribesmen downed the Chung Hwa Maroons whose pennant hopes went aglimmering when they bowed to the Mindanao lads last week. Coach "Granpop" Leung though is more concerned with building up a powerful squad for next season than he is with winning games this season and

there is a possibility that several of his more promising rookies will be given a run in this fixture.

After Wally Ching's unsuccessful outing on the mound at his last try, Manager P. K. Lau will probably put Al Lau in to do the hurrying with Wally Ching switched back to his regular spot at the Windy Alley. "Ski" Powlawski, Tony Mascavage and "Crooner" Ruel will umpire this clash, on the result of which will depend upon which team stays in the higher bracket.

## INT'L BASEBALL

As the season rapidly nears conclusion, the League committee will meet on Monday evening at 5.30 p.m. in order to arrange the annual post-season International Series and Charity Cup Series. Every effort will be made to finish before the end of September.

Portugal, winners of the last series, are entering a team, as are China who are intent on making a fine showing in the series.

## BOWLS MATCH

The Softball Association are to play their return Lawn Bowls match against the Kowloon Footballers on Sunday morning at 10.30. Although the composition of the four rinks have not yet been decided the following are among the players likely to appear:

N. A. Beltrao, Mike "Matsumoto" Mendonca, "Doc" Molthen, Tony Ribeiro, Roy Lau, Bob "Guinea-gold" Ogden, Linho Gosano and Spotty Pereira. Hassan, Rumjahn, Kitchell and Kassa Nazarin, not to mention the Powerhouse Stan Leonard are others that have been invited to turn out.

BOBBY RIGGS  
DEFEATED

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Bobby Riggs, former American champion and the last winner of the Wimbledon Singles, lost the quarter final in the Eastern Grass Courts tennis championships to Wayne Sabin who won 8-6, 6-3, while the other upset at this stage was Bryan Grant's 6-4, 6-2, win against Frankie Parker, American Davis Cup player.

Meanwhile, Valerie Scott, British Wightman Cup player, and Patricia Canning beat two American ranked players, Mary Arnold and Hope Knowles, 6-3, 7-5 to enter the semi-final of the ladies doubles.

LAWN BOWLS SWEEP  
CARRIED OVER

This week's lawn bowls sweep has been carried forward and will be drawn for next Friday.

The week's response was on the poor side, the probable reason being that Volunteer duties kept members away from their clubs.

It is hoped, however, that next week's pool will double those fetched in previous weeks.

## BOWLS PAIRS

In an Open Pairs lawn bowls championship match yesterday at Craigengower, S. Eccleshall and J. Shepherd beat G.E.F. Thompson and E. V. Searle by 20-13.

In the second round, A. J. Kew and Y. S. Tang beat T. Coleman and P. Youngusband 18-17 at Club de Recreio.

W. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom beat G. Willerton and G. Davis 22-21; E. Levett and H. Spong beat A. B. Colman and W. Gill 21-18, at the Kowloon F. C. green.

## HOCKEY ON SKATES

A very fast hockey-on-roller skates match was played yesterday at the Kowloon Skating Rink, Mongkok, when Kowloon Skating Club "B" team were held to a draw by Hongkong Skating Club, "A" in the Chi Yin Yat Pao League.

## CAGE CUP GAMES

The "Wu Teh Chen" Cup basketball league made further progress at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. last night when the Trojans went down to the Residents' Union by 38-33 while the "Y" hoopers just beat the Youth quintet by 34-33.

## ON THE COURSE



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## OLD COURSE

- 9.16 J. A. D. Morrison, K. S. Morrison.  
9.20 A. M. Kennedy, R. C. Gairdner.  
9.24 A. B. Purves, I. H. Geare.  
9.28 M. A. Cairns, R. K. Collings.  
9.32 G. G. Altkenhead, W. Stoker.  
9.36 A. E. Lassman, R. Young.  
9.40 J. A. Blackwood, W. G. Robertson.  
9.44 S. L. Lloyd, G. C. Worrall.  
9.48 D. G. G. Allen, Major Temple.  
10.16 J. D. Clague, D. S. Robb.  
10.20 Brig. Macleod, Major Meek.

Happy Valley Summer  
Foursomes Results

The Second Summer Foursomes of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club played at Happy Valley resulted as follows:—

- J. M. Thomson (9) and N. J. Booker (13) beat A. McKellar (6) and F. Hillier (17) 7 and 6; T. B. Low (9) and R. K. Collings (8) beat L. M. S. Lloyd (12) and A. D. Humphreys (9) 8 and 1; G. E. Willerton (12) and T. J. Price (9) received walk-over; H. H. Mundy (9) and W. Stoker (10) beat J. A. D. Morrison (12) and F. D. Hunter (1) 1 up.

FOOTBALL REFEREES  
CLASSES

At a Joint Meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association and the Army Football Referees' Association, at which Lieut. L. G. Crossby and Mr. J. F. da Silva were elected Chairman and Hon. Secretary respectively, it was agreed that an educational class will be started for the benefit of the Civilian and Services aspirants to Referees' Certificates.

The classes will most likely be held at the Army Recreation Hut known as the Scandal Point Hall at the China Command Headquarters commencing on Monday, August 18, 1941 at 7 p.m. and continued on Thursday and subsequent Mondays and Thursdays for a course of eight lectures to conclude with an Examination.

A cordial invitation is extended to any enthusiasts of the game of Association Football who desire to be issued with the Certificates. Further particulars can be obtained from Mr. J. F. da Silva, c/o Treasurer, Windsor House, 3rd floor.

COLONY MINIATURE  
SOCCER ELEVEN

Hongkong Miniature Football Association are staging an Inter-port match against Macao shortly. The date for the match has yet to be fixed, though it will probably be played in Macao sometime between August 16 and 23.

The following players, who are all participating in the Cheuk Lun Cup small-ball league, have been selected to don colours for the Colony eleven:—

Wong Kwok-yiu and Cheong Sun (goalies), Fok Yiu-wah and Leung Ping-sang (full-backs), Lau Wing-kwong, Ho Lockay and Mak Wai-lun (half-backs), Lee Wai-lam, Lai Chung-yin, Chiu Wing-keung and Chan Chak-kai (forwards).

Home Soccer Plans  
For Coming Season

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—A meeting of English, Scottish and Services football associations has been called to facilitate future-making and to prevent the overlapping of dates arranged for a number of representative matches for the coming season.

There is a possibility of two big games a month being played as the programme is expected to include an international among England, Scotland and Wales, besides representative games among the Services and matches in which the Services oppose national associations.

Dates will be made known after approval by various committees.

## H.K. Volunteer Orders

ORDERS BY COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT,  
HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

PARADES  
Corps Artillery  
1st Battery

Tues. 2 p.m. H.Q. Advance Party. 2.30. H.Q. All Secs. Dress—as laid down for half-day training. Training at D'Aguliar.

Thurs. 5.30. H.Q. All Secs. Dress—Mufli. Kit inspection.  
Thurs. 5.45. H.Q. D.E.L. Sec. Dress—Mufli. L.G. training.  
Orderly Sergt. for Aug. 10-16—Bdr. Dadds.

## 2nd Battery

Mon. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All concerned. Dress—Mufli. To draw extra pair of shorts. For all those who have not yet done so.

Wed. 5.30. Scandal Point. I. Sec. Layers. Dress—Mufli, overalls and S.D. caps to be carried. Revision.

1931 DERBY  
WINNER IS  
SOLD

The owner of Commotion, winner of the New Oaks, has sold his stallion Cameronian, winner of the 1931 Derby, for export to Argentina.

Cameronian has been a successful sire and will be missed in England. His stock had won £52,260 up to end of the 1940 season, his best being Scottish Union, winner of the Saint Leger in 1938, Cashbook, winner of the Derby and Newmarket stakes in 1937, Finis, winner of the Yorkshire Cup in 1939, Belm Dearg, winner of the Manchester November Handicap in 1940 and Snowberry, winner of £3,881 as a two-year-old.

Thurs. 2.15. H.Q. R. Sec. D.E.L. & B.O.P. Stores Party. 2.45. H.Q. Remplander. Half-day training at Bluff Head. Dress as laid down for half-day training.

Fri. 5.30. C.A.S.L. School. S.I. and engine personnel. Dress—Mufli, overalls and S.D. caps to be carried. Engine instruction.

Fri. 5.30. H.Q. Those detailed. Dress—shirt, shorts, puttees, boots, S.D. caps, web belt. Overalls to be carried. Instruction on engines.

Fri. 6. Those detailed. Dress as in para. 8. Presentation Parade by H.E. the Governor.

## Appointment

Sgt. T. W. Carr to perform duties of B.Q.M.S. w.e.f. 8.8.41.

## 3rd Battery

Tues. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All members. Dress—Mufli. Fitting of gas masks and gas chamber.

Fri. (1) Time as ordered. H.Q. All members. Dress—Fighting order (jackets) less shorts plus trousers. Spare kit to be carried in kit bags. Week-end camp. (2) Those detailed 1 N.C.O. and 6 men. Advance party. 5 p.m. H.Q. Dress—Same as above.

## 4th Battery

Tues. 2.45 p.m. H.Q. All Secs. Dress as detailed. Rifle slings to be brought. Training at Pakshawan.

Wed. 5.30. H.Q. Sec. as detailed. Dress—Mufli. Changing kit and equipment.

Thurs. 5.30. H.Q. B.C. Staff and signals. Dress—S.D. cap and overalls. Rifle and squad drill.

Thurs. 6.15. H.Q. Sec. as detailed. Dress—Mufli. B.C.A. Class.

## 5th A.A. Battery

Tues. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 1 Sec. Dress—As detailed. Half day training at Salwan.

Wed. 5.30. H.Q. Nos. 1 and 2 Secs. Dress—Mufli. Lecture.

Fri. Time as ordered. H.Q. Nos. 1

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## Field Company Engineers

Mon. 5.30 p.m. K.C.R. Coy. parade. Dress—Mufli. Training under section officers.

Thurs. K.C.R. 2. Working party from

No. 2 Sec. as detailed. Dress—Helmets, shirts, shorts, hosetops, boots & puttees. Remainder. 2.30 p.m. Tech. training under Sec. arrangements.

## Corps Signals

Mon. 5.15 p.m. H.Q. Dress—Mufli. (1) Training Cadre and Recruits Lect.

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## "THIS MAN REUTER"

PRESS PREVIEW ON  
MONDAY: OPENING  
ON AUG. 16

The screen has brought to the front the stories of many famous people, but never before has it revealed the tale of a person so widely heard of, but little known, as in the Warner Brothers' film "This Man Reuter", which opens at the Queen's Theatre on Saturday, Aug. 16.

The picture is a timely one and, particularly at the moment, it is but right that the story of the life of Julius Reuter, the founder of the present worldwide news agency, should be told in such an effective and dramatic manner via the screen.

### THE STORY

The picture stars Edward G. Robinson, one of the most dramatic and successful film actors of the present day.

Robinson plays the part of Julius Reuter, whose speedy dispatches held within them the fate of empires and who did more to form the ethical credo of news gathering than any man in history. He first had the idea of finding some way to speed up the traveling of news when he was a child. Never forgetting his childhood ambition, he and his friend, played by Eddie Albert, open a news agency and use pigeons to carry the news between towns which have no telegraph. As years go on the Reuter's News Agency be-

## "A LITTLE BIT OF HEAVEN"

Patterned along the same lines as "The Under-Pup", a pattern which proved a hit and established Gloria Jean as a star, Universal's "A Little Bit of Heaven" is showing today at the King's Theatre.

Six other players from the casts of the earlier success are present in the coming feature, including C. Aubrey Smith, as Gloria's "Grandpa," Nan Grey, as her older sister, Butch and Buddy, Billy Gilbert and Frank Jenks.

In addition the cast includes Robert Stack, Hugh Herbert as Gloria's "Pop," Stuart Erwin, Eugene Palette, Nana Bryant, Tommy Bond and others.

Miss Jean sings five numbers, including an impressive finale rendition of "Dawn of Love" ("Eli, Eli"), with a huge choral and orchestral background.

Mr. Chen Ch'eh, recalled Chinese Ambassador to Berlin, arrived in Washington from New York Thursday for a visit.

comes more and more associated with dramatic and far-reaching events despite attempts to place obstacles in his path.

Edna Best portrays his sympathetic wife who drives home the lesson that the duty of a reporter is first to his people and secondly to his paper. Others in the cast include Albert Basserman, Gene Lockhart, Otto Kruger, Nigel Bruce, Montagu Love.

A preview for members of the press will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday at Queen's Theatre.

## COMING EVENTS

AUG.

9-Tides: High 11.29 a.m. & 12.47 p.m. Low 4.44 a.m. & 5.59 p.m.  
Sunday: 6.58 a.m.; Sunday: 8 p.m.  
Triangular Swimming Gala in Aid of Chinese Medical Relief Fund, (B.C., North Point, 7.15 p.m.  
Chung Shing Benevolent Society Exhibition, Shih-Nan Girls' College, 69 Waterloo Road, noon to 10 p.m.  
Charity Swimming Gala in Aid of Bomber Fund and B.P.R.D.C., Victoria Recreation Club, 9.07 p.m.  
Lawn Bowls League, 3 p.m.  
H.K. Baseball League, Chatham Rd., Kowloon.

10-Tides: High 12.0 a.m. Low 5.27 a.m. and 6.34 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.58 a.m.; Sunset: 7.39 p.m.  
Memorial Service for late Mr. Lefel Pui hung, Confucius Hall.

Chung Shing Benevolent Society Exhibition, Shih-Nan Girls' College, 69 Waterloo Road, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group West Lounge, 9 p.m.

H.K. Baseball League, Chatham Rd., Kowloon.

H.K. Union Church Management Committee Meeting, Church Hall, Kennedy Road.

Charity Screenings of Indian Film at Alhambra Theatre, 11 a.m.

11-Tides: High 1.20 a.m. & 12.45 p.m. Low 6.11 a.m. and 7.06 p.m.  
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. Offices, 3 p.m.

Chung Shing Benevolent Society Exhibition, Shih-Nan Girls' College, 69 Waterloo Road, noon to 10 p.m.

## BRILLIANT THRILL SPECTACLE

A highly colourful and dramatic event in motion picture history is at the Majestic Theatre where Walter Wanger's latest film production, "Foreign Correspondent," was given a spectacular premiere under the auspices of United Artists. Brilliantly directed by Alfred Hitchcock, master of screen mystery and suspense, "Foreign Correspondent" must be put down by this reviewer as the thrill spectacle of the year a motion picture which unravels gripping drama, breath-taking excitement, red-blooded romance and high-ditched intrigue.

"Foreign Correspondent" is played brilliantly by a top-notch cast headed by Joel McCrea, Laraine Day, George Sanders, Robert Benchley, Albert Basserman and Herbert Marshall. Its story, which unwinds on the screen with amazing speed and tempo, keeping the audience on tenterhooks, concerns a crime reporter on a New York daily who is dispatched to Europe to dig up facts. The reporter, played masterfully by Joel McCrea, digs up more than he bargains for, cracking open an international intrigue that has never before been matched on the screen for thrills and excitement.

## Radio Programmes

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### TODAY

STUDIO-JAZZ PIANO RECITAL  
BY HAL LORENZO

### London Relays

12.15 p.m. A Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Charlie Kunz (Piano) & The Six Swingers.

1.30 Charlie Kunz (Piano) & The Six Swingers. Ida Sweet As Apple Cider - Slow Fox-Trot (Leonard), Nellie Dean Quick Step (Armstrong). The Six Swingers. Charlie Kunz Piano Medley, No. D 41. Intro. I'll Never Smile Again. Until I Smile At You, I'm Stepping Out With A Memory Tonight. The Breeze And I. Turn Your Money In Your Pocket. A Lover's Lullaby. Meet The Sun Half-Way. Charlie Kunz with Rhythm accompaniment. The Ghost of Smoky Joe. Blues. Floogie Walk. Fox-Trot (Roll from film "Cotton Club Parade") - Korherr and Bloom. The Six Swingers. Waltzing With Waldo (Waltz) - Intro. The Skaters' Waltz. Estudantina. Dolores, Sings. Accumulations. Espana. The Skaters' Waltz. Charlie Kunz with Rhythm accompaniment. Boogie Boogie Boogie. Fox-Trot (Hendler and Summers). The Six Swingers.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 Composition of Grieg.

To Spring William Murdoch (Piano). Un Reve (A Dream) - Benigno (Gib) (Tenor) with The State Opera Orchestra. Holberg Suite. Op. 40; Prelude and Sarabande. Cavetto - Air - Rigaudon - London Struck.

1.30 Reuter and Rhyth Press and Announcements.

1.45 New Variety.

Vocal - Missouri Waltz - Bing Crosby with J. Trotter's Orch. Guitar and Organ - Aloha Oe - Andy Iona (Steel Guitar) with Eddie Dunstetter (Organ). Vocal - Number Ten Tullaby Lane (Warren - Bob Carlton); For All Time (Rum "Many A Slip" - H. M. Hughes) - Dinah Shore with Orchestra. Trio - Autumn Serenade (Rex Morgan); All The Things You Are (Jerome Kern) - Albert Sandier Trio Talking - Portrait of A Londoner (The Charwoman) - By Emyln Williams.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Programme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Mendelssohn - Overture in F Flat Major, Op. 28.

1st Mov: Allegro moderato ma con fuoco; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Scherzo - Allegro leggierissimo; 4th

Mov. Presto - International Struck Octet.

7.15 Song Recital by Walter Glynn (Tenor) and Eva Turner (Soprano).

The Valley Where Wishes Come True (Eatherley-Elliott); I'll Walk Beside You (Lockton-Alan Murray); Walter Glynn with Piano. "Il Trovatore" - D'Amor Sull' Ali Rose (Verdi); "Aida" - O Patria Mia (Verdi); Eva Turner with Orchestra. Old Rustle Bridge By The Mill (Skelly); Walter Glynn with Organ and Male Chorus.

7.34 George Lionger and His Orchestra.

Love's Lendness. Tango (Bochmann); Nora. Tango (Boulanger); Hungarian March Polpouri (J. Pers); Prichysal; When I Am Happy. Valse (Boulanger); Dream Serenade (Boulanger, arr. Satow) Keep Young! - Polka (Boulanger).

8.25 London Relay - Listening Post.

8.15 London Relay - War Commentary.

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Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 London - Special Broadcast to British Forces in The Far East.

8.00 London Time Signal, Announcements and Programme Summary.

8.02 Studio - Jazz-Piano Recital by Hal Lorenzo.

1. Improvisation; 2. Danny Boy; 3. Hills from "Down Argentine Way"; 4. Medley - Intro; (a) Blue Orchids; (b) Maybe; (c) Our Love Affair 5. Medley - Intro; (a) Ma He's Making Eyes At Me; (b) I Cried For You; (c) Sweet Sue.

8.30 Vocal Duets by Al Bowly and Jimmy Mesene.

Only For Ever (From film: Rhythm on the River) - Burke; The Fairy Boat Serenade (Adamson - Di Luzzaro); I'm Stepping Out With A Memory Tonight (Magidson-Wrubel); I Haven't Time To Be A Millionaire (Burke-Monaco); Turn Your Money In Your Pocket (Brown); I'll Never Smile Again (Lower); We'll Go Snuggling Along (Parr-Davies).

9.45 - 10.00 News in French (On Short Wave only).

9.45 Reginald Dixon at the Organ.

Irish Medley - Intro: Rakes of Morrow; Mother Macaire; When Irish Eyes Are Smiling; A Little Bit of Heaven; Garry Owen; Irish Washerwoman; Jeany O'Neil; Rose of Tralee; Killarney; St. Patrick's Day; Down The Mall (Belton); Chorus Gentlemen, Please - Medley.

10.00 London Relay - The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Local Sport Results.

10.18 Dance Music.

11.15 London - "O'd Mother Reley Takes The Air."

12.00 midnight. Close Down.

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## CHUNGKING THEATRES

NO MORE NIGHT PERFORMANCES

CHUNGKING, Aug. 8 (Central) - Chungking theatres, cinemas and other amusement houses have been ordered to cancel night performances from the 10th day to the 20th day of each moon by the City Government as a precaution against possible night raids.

Meanwhile, the police will stop people coming to town at night from the suburbs unless they have domicile permits.

Only those who have residential permits may enter public dugouts during night raids. Any one who seeks shelter without such a permit is liable to confinement under 12 hours after the "all clear."

Gongs will be sounded to warn the residents on the south bank of the river in case of a night raid since the Japanese-designated "safety zone" is by no means safe.

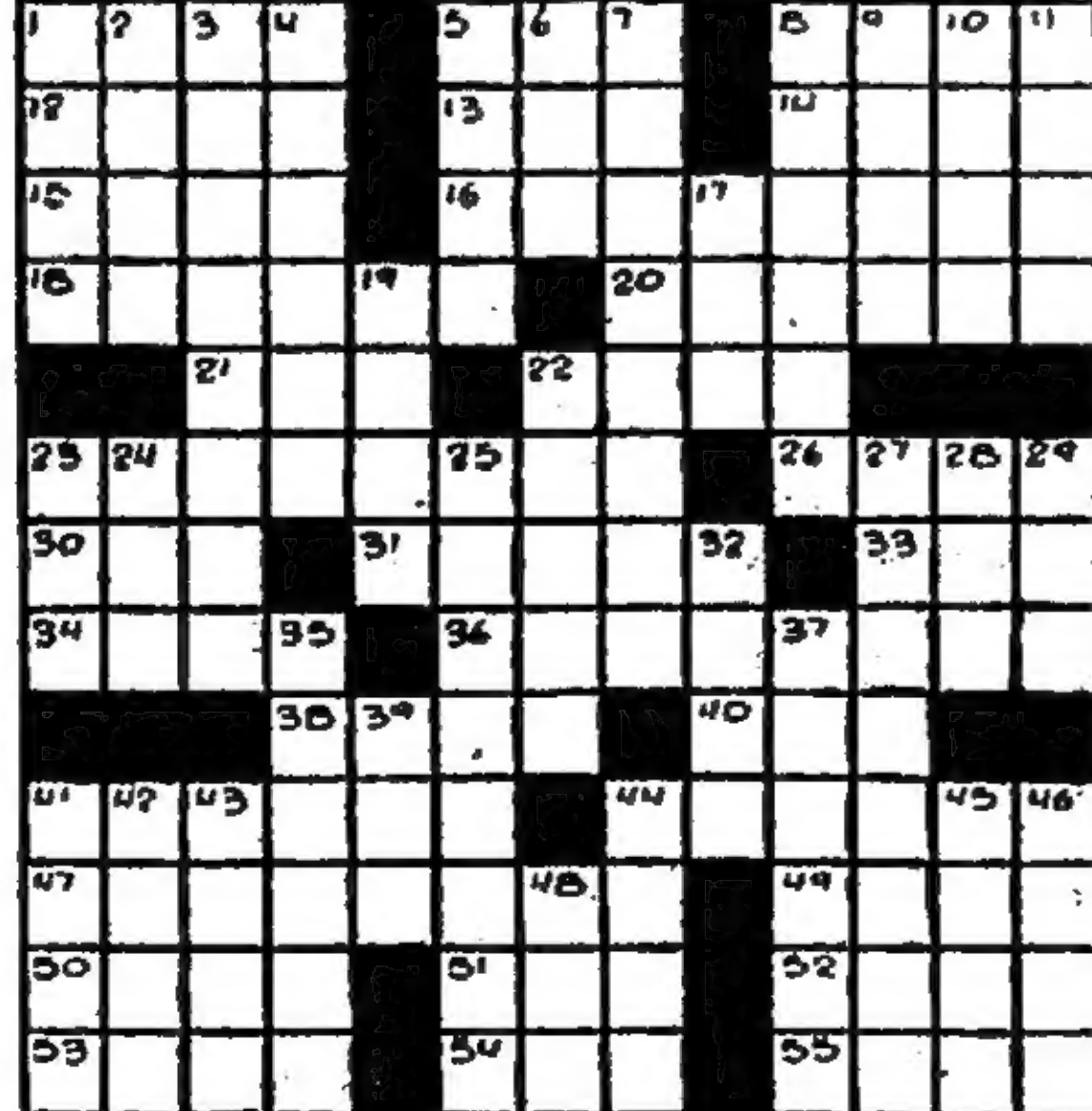
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### ACROSS

- 1 Proof
- 5 Restless substance
- 8 Lie in warmth
- 12 Solemn affirmation
- 13 One of King David's rulers
- 14 Land of the shamrock
- 15 One who employs
- 16 Brown bat
- 18 Reiterate
- 20 Suction
- 21 Vessel for domestic use
- 22 On the lee side
- 23 Malicious
- 26 Staple food crop
- 30 Contraction of even
- 31 Wheeled vehicle
- 33 Treenail
- 34 Engage in
- 36 Threatening
- 38 Move
- 40 Metal or earthen vessel for cooking
- 41 Pertaining to mail service
- 44 Condiment
- 47 Inferential
- 49 Facts
- 50 Surflet
- 51 Be ill
- 52 Kind of
- 53 Jacket
- 54 Half-shrubby



- 25 Well known
- 27 Commence
- 28 Commit to memory
- 29 An ovum
- 32 Back of the neck
- 35 Landed property
- 37 Having less heat
- 39 Make edging
- 41 Swine
- 42 Bulging pot
- 43 Gastropod related to snails
- 44 Trust
- 45 Porlico
- 46 Part of the arm
- 48 By way of

SOLUTION ON MONDAY

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## Bangkok Greatly Impressed By Simultaneous Warnings Of Britain, U.S. To Japan

BANGKOK, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—The simultaneous warnings of Mr. Anthony Eden and Mr. Cordell Hull against any Japanese move in Thailand have made a great impression here.

The general opinion is that Mr. Hull's statement is good as far as it goes, but that a specific statement is necessary if America is to play an effective part in dispelling the war clouds in the Far East.

A claim of rights now prevails in the Japanese-Thai situation but the under-current of anxiety has not in the least abated.

A Japanese report that Britain, America and China have protested to Thailand against the recognition of Manchukuo is denied in official circles who added that any way China could not lodge a protest as there are no diplomatic relations between China and Thailand.

### SAIGON EXODUS

SAIGON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Although the British Consulate has not given any orders, a proportion of the small British colony in Saigon is evacuating on Monday to Singapore.

The party consists chiefly of women and children.

The movement of Japanese troops through Saigon is abating somewhat giving rise to the supposition that they are making use of waterborne traffic up the Mekong mouth.

All official French buildings have suddenly started sporting enormous white crosses on roofs. It is understood that this is due to a Vichy order to ensure the safety of French property in the event of an armed conflict in the Far East which indicates French non-belligerency.

### PASSAGE REFUSED

Thailand is reported to have refused the passage of a four-motored Japanese passenger seaplane from Saigon to Bangkok. The plane is due to pick up Thai delegates to the Boundary Commission who have not yet arrived.

### JAPANESE VIEW

TOKYO, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Japan has no designs on Thailand, she is on very good terms with that State, declares the Japan Times, organ of the Japanese Foreign Office yesterday. It accuses Britain of "talking the Japanese bogey to camouflage her own aggressive intentions for strengthening Singapore through the creation of advance bases at the expense of Thailand."

Suzuki, well-known editorial commentator of the Yomiuri Shimbun, writing in the August issue of the journal "Japan," while admitting that the general situation forbids us to deny the possibility of war between Japan and the United States, expresses the view that if America is to extend "effective aid" to Great Britain she will "find it imperative to avoid as far as possible any antagonism of Japan."

### AXIS STRATEGY

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—A message from Washington amplifies the view that the Japanese pressure on Thailand is part of the Axis plan to enable Germany to get hold of strategic bases in the Atlantic while Japan seizes similar bases in the Pacific.

A London comment declares that the Japanese encroachment in Indo-China cannot be considered as an isolated act of aggression but as a vital element of German grand strategy.

This report is an elucidation of Mr. Cordell Hull's statement that present events in Europe and Asia provided the world with proof of Axis plans for conquest by force.

## HEAVY FIGHTING ROUND TOBRUK

### Italians Put Forward Extravagant Claims

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Extravagant claims made in an Italian communique in regard to an attack by British troops on enemy positions in the salient at Tobruk are refuted by authoritative quarters in London.

It is stated that enemy casualties were heavy although a correct estimate is impossible.

British casualties were 28 killed, 104 wounded and eight missing.

Heavy fighting took place round a post on the enemy's left flank where 28 enemy were killed.

British troops, after fierce fighting, entered a post on the enemy's right flank. The enemy then put down a very heavy mortar and machine-gun barrage, causing many casualties to their own troops as well as British.

After dark, information was received that a post on the enemy's left flank had been captured and held by two officers and 17 men, including eight badly wounded.

They had eight German prisoners. Strong infantry parties were sent to relieve the post but they were delayed by fire and meanwhile the enemy counter-attacked and overpowered the garrison.

### DUST STORMS

CAIRO, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Dust storms limited activities in Libya yesterday. A British Middle East communique issued today states:

"Libya.—Extremely heavy dust storms have temporarily limited the activities of our raiding parties in the Tobruk area, but under cover of the dust one of our fighting patrols attacked an enemy post, inflicting casualties and capturing prisoners and weapons."

"In the frontier area, our artillery and machine-guns engaged the enemy and one of our patrols, surprising a small enemy column, took a prisoner."

## CABLE NEWS BATTLE FOR BRITAIN IN BRIEF ON RUSSIAN STEPPES

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Arrangements have been made for an exchange of representatives between the governments of Soviet Russia and Belgium following a meeting yesterday of the Belgian Foreign Minister, M. Paul Spaak and the Russian Ambassador, M. Ivan Maïsky. The meeting took place at the Secretary of State's room at the Foreign Office.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Captain Oliver Lyttelton, British Minister of State in the Middle East and his wife, stayed on Wednesday night at Government House as guests of the High Commissioner on their way to Syria.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—The Far Eastern situation was the subject of a conference between the Australian Minister Mr. R. G. Casey and the Secretary of State Mr. Cordell Hull yesterday. Mr. Casey declined to comment on Japan's southward expansion beyond saying "Australia strongly believes that the place to defend Australia is as far away from Australia as possible."

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—A serious fire and explosion occurred on Tuesday at the premises of a firm engaged in the manufacture of oil products on Thameside. Seven casualties are reported. The cause of the fire is being investigated.

## Annihilating Battle

### SOVIET RESISTANCE SURPRISE NAZIS

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—A commentator on Thursday's special communique of the German High Command, said over the German radio last night: "The annihilating battle against strongly armed Soviet forces is not, however, yet over."

"The new phase of the operations now in progress shows how great still is the power of resistance of the now greatly harassed Soviet forces."

### SWISS COMMENT

ZURICH, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Commenting on Wednesday's German special communique, the Swiss paper Neue Zuercher Nachrichten writes: "If the figures given to correspondents are the truth, it appears doubly miraculous that the Red Army is fighting just the same without sign of exhaustion and is even hitting back."

The Berlin correspondent of the Gazette de Lausanne writes: "It is natural that the special communique should raise the public morale after these long weeks of silence but for our part we have not observed any new fact in these military statements which, however, officially confirmed the Russian Army's importance and powers of resistance which nobody dared to predict."

## ROOSEVELT-CHURCHILL MEETING TAKEN FOR GRANTED: OBSERVERS NOW SPECULATING ON OUTCOME

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—As far as Washington is concerned, the Roosevelt-Churchill affair has practically ceased to be a mystery. It is now widely taken for granted that they must be together. It is argued that Mr. Churchill could be absent in only two places—either in Moscow or with President Roosevelt—and it is thought that any arrival in Moscow could hardly be covered by such an impenetrable blanket of secrecy. Hence the conviction that he must be with President Roosevelt.

Interest yesterday, therefore, centred on not whether they are meeting but why. Some of the best political observers are of the opinion that the meeting portends momentous events and steps.

One theory is that Mr. Harry Hopkins brought back word from Moscow of the urgency of full support for Russia to ensure that she could hold Germany.

If they are actually meeting, its importance seems shown by the fact that no diplomatic exchanges or arrangements preceded it. There is strong reason to believe that the State Department knew nothing of the meeting or the arrangements. Therefore, it is felt that details are known only to three men—President Roosevelt, Mr. Harry Hopkins and Mr. Churchill.

### SERVICES HEADS

It was thought here that if it is true that American Chiefs of Staff and Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, were with President Roosevelt, then Mr. Churchill.

"The Battle of Britain may conceivably be won on the Russian Steppes," declared the Australian Minister for War (Mr. Spender) in a recent statement.

"Hitler's decision to attack Russia can only have been one of utter desperation," Mr. Spender continues. "Hitler dares so much in the summer of 1941 because he knows full well that a world still unconquered and free in 1942 will be the beginning of the end for him."

"All the earlier campaigns of the war have shown it is only under the most favourable conditions that a powerful mechanized army carrying its attack to the enemy with great force and speed, can be halted. But even deep penetration will not necessarily cripple Russia militarily or paralyse her war industry. For some time there has been a steady removal of Russian war industry eastwards, almost out of range, and the distances the German forces must cover and the areas they must control to put the Soviet forces completely out of action are prodigious."

### WEAKNESS AND STRENGTH

"There are many factors both of strength and weakness in Russia's position. One of the obvious points perhaps of unsuspected strength, is that Russia has been deeply uneasy over German intentions for years, and we may asume has taken precautions, even if only because of the great risks she ran of an earlier clash with Germany in occupying protective zones of military and naval strength in the Baltic, Eastern Poland and the Balkans."

"Since 1933 her military expenditure has risen astronomically—from 1500 million roubles in 1933 to the peace-estimate of 70,000 million roubles in 1941. Now, inevitably, it will expand greatly. No one knows what the rouble is worth, and there is no use in trying to find a sterling equivalent, but even allowing for the heavy inflation of recent years, these figures show a most formidable magnitude and should, if the money has been spent reasonably well, point to a fair degree of readiness."

"It is unofficially estimated that nearly ten million men have been trained since 1935 under the conscription measure dating back to 1930. In 1938 the German military attaché at Moscow, Colonel von Bulow, reported that Russia had between 15,000 and 17,000 planes of all types, 150,000 trained pilots and observers, and at least 28 aircraft factories which could without difficulty be expanded to a production basis of 20,000 machines annually. In a technical military sense, especially in the matter of armoured equipment, Russia is an unsolved equation."

"To speak frankly, many of the indications are suggestive of weakness rather than strength, at least in relation to the merciless tests of mechanical blitz warfare. It must be remembered however that the Soviet has most carefully screened its true military position. We can but wait events and give what help is possible."

### GIGANTIC EFFORT

"Industrially the U.S.S.R. is now in the closing stages of the third Five Year Plan, a gigantic economic effort. The Soviet authorities

have been extremely reticent about the working of the plan, but the available evidence suggests that there may be substantial industrial and transport weakness which may have military importance. Before the European war broke out, we know that Russian heavy industry was meeting difficulty. The output of iron, steel and coal (compared unfavourably with earlier periods, equipment was overworked, there were labour troubles, and much capital investment had badly depreciated. Light industry (textiles and household goods generally) was even worse off. Primary production of food-stuffs and industrial crops were also encountering troubles. These conditions may have been remedied in the meantime. One hopes so but one does not know."

### HEAVY INDUSTRY

"The proportion of her economic machinery given over to making consumers' peace-time requirements is actually and relatively small. For years past most of her new investment has been going into heavy industry, which will presumably facilitate her transition to a full war footing, if the blitz warfare gives her sufficient breathing space."

"Here we still have a huge margin of possible sacrifices which we can make in giving up comforts and non-essentials, before we feel the pinch. The Russians, on the other hand, are starting off the war much lower down the scale. In other words, they have already made in peace-time most of the sacrifices we are only being asked to make because of the war, and are still a long way from making fully yet."

"The condition of the ordinary people of Russia is likely to become hard under war conditions, but we know from their history that they will fight with stoic bravery. Every hour they last out is an hour gained for us. It is for us to see that we use the breathing space well."—(Malaya Tribune).

## FOUR AMERICAN TANKERS FOR RUSSIA

### Shortage Of Aviation Petrol In U.S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Mr. Harold Ickes, Defence Petroleum Administrator, announced that four American tankers are being transferred to Russia to transport aviation petrol. At the same time he told reporters that there was a shortage of aviation petrol in the United States which might possibly have severe effects on military and commercial flying unless the capacity for producing it was increased immediately.

He added that the transfers to Russia might contribute to a limited general petroleum shortage in West Coast areas and declared that a compulsory plan to conserve petrol on the East Coast might be not far ahead.

Mr. Ickes concluded by saying that despite efforts to influence motorists to cut down consumption, the amount used on the Atlantic seaboard had actually materially increased in the last fortnight.

The problem of increasing America's capacity for producing aviation petrol which requires special machinery will be taken up by Mr. Ickes on August 11 at a meeting here of the Chairman of the Regional Oil Industry Committees.

Mr. Ickes added that the situation regarding aviation petrol was "causing a good deal of concern."

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Goering's sister-in-law has arrived in Switzerland from Bohemia where her husband Alfred Goering has been manager of the Skoda Works for the last two years. It is learned in Czech circles.

"LADIES... READ THIS..."



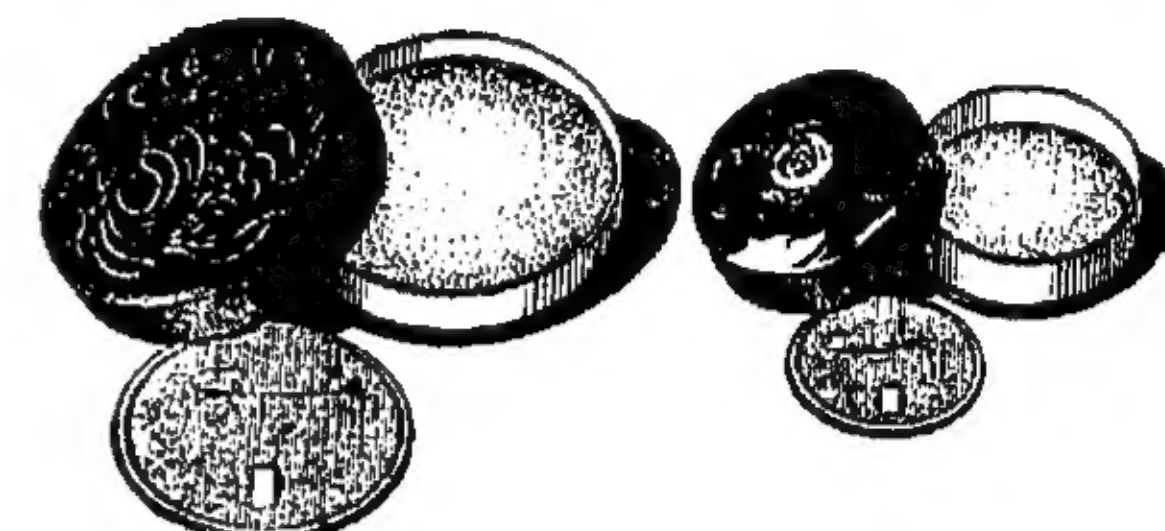
THE New Coty Creations have arrived from New York—made by the same French experts. How exciting some of these are—and how beautifully presented. You'll be thrilled when you see them.

There are so many delightful new creations we simply cannot find room for them all—but here are a few we must mention.

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# "SHORT CHANGE" RACKET EXPOSED DURING ACTION AGAINST H.K. UTILITY COMPANY

## Caustic Denunciation By Mr. Justice Cressall

"In my 15 years' judicial experience of rackets and rams which have been exposed in the courts I must confess that this particular one deserves to go down in history as a masterpiece and I am indebted to the solicitor for the defence for his illuminating statement that the clue to the whole matter is to be found in the fact that the Hongkong one-cent piece is worth 'more than its weight in gold.'"

stated Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall in the course of a judgment which he delivered at the Summary Court yesterday.

His Lordship was remarking on the practice, as revealed in evidence adduced before him, of ferry ticket sellers in giving short change to third class passengers.

The case was that in which the Hongkong and Yummat Ferry Company was sued by its former employee, Li Leung, of No. 604 Reclamation Street, first floor, for wrongful dismissal. Plaintiff was represented by Mr. H. A. de Barros Botelho, and defendant by Mr. F. H. Loseby.

### THE JUDGMENT

Giving judgment his Lordship said:

In the case the plaintiff claims the sum of \$334.80 being \$300 cash deposited by him with the Defendants as a fidelity bond for the due performance of his duties: \$11.50 for half a month's wages in lieu of notice. The sole issue involved is whether the Defendant company was justified in dismissing him without notice. The facts proved to my satisfaction are as follows:

On Oct. 23, 1937, the Plaintiff joined the company as what is known as a "reserve ticket collector." He received no salary but was liable to be called up for service, if and when, one of the permanent staff was away. He was required to deposit the sum of \$100 as security for his good behaviour and diligence whilst employed by the company.

### RESERVE TICKET SELLER

On April 26, 1938, he was promoted to "reserve ticket seller" and in return for the honour thus bestowed on him, he was required to produce a further \$200 in cash, which he did. He, then, apparently, acted as a substitute for some of the permanent ticket sellers, and under a most peculiar system was paid by them for performing the duties of the permanent staff engaged by the company.

On Sept. 21, 1940, he received further "promotion" by being placed on the permanent staff and thereafter became a salaried employee.

On Oct. 1, 1940, he was put in charge of the first class ticket booth at the Jordan Road terminus of the ferry and remained here until Oct. 16 when he was transferred to the third class ticket booth. This work, he says, he found to be far more difficult than the former, so he was "forced" to engage a gentleman by name, Leung Fong, to assist him. He did this, he asserts, because he was not used to the routine in that office, and, being a philanthropist drawing \$23 a month, he paid his assistant at the rate of \$20 a month from his own pocket, without telling his employers he had done so.

The inference, is, of course, that having the interests of the company so much at heart he was prepared to reduce his own salary to \$3 per month, in order to save the company money.

### TURNSTILES TAMPERED

Nothing further seems to have happened until Oct. 24 when, very inconsiderately, certain officials of the company paid a surprise visit to the ticket booth presided over by the plaintiff and found that the mechanism of the turnstile had been tampered with, with the result that it was not registering. It is not necessary to go into details as to how this was done. Suffice it to say that there was an excess of roughly \$4 in the ticket booth, over and above the amount which the meter of the turnstile called for.

An investigation followed, and the plaintiff, his private assistant, Leung Fong, and another gentleman were arrested by the Police and charged with conspiring to defraud the company. The case, was, however, dismissed by the Magistrate, but in the meantime the plaintiff had been summarily discharged from his employment.

### OTHER FACTS

These shortly are the main facts of the case, but there are other facts of interest which are relevant to the issue involved and which must now be mentioned.

(a) Under the Regulations of the company, which bind all

employees, no employee is permitted to report late for duty. He must be at his post by 4.45 a.m., each morning. The Plaintiff nevertheless, has admitted that during the period Oct. 18 to Oct. 24 (the vital week as it were) he was habitually late for duty and did not arrive until nearly 6 a.m. He explains this by saying that it did not matter how late he was, provided his assistant was there at the proper time. In other words, he suggests that as he was "paying the piper he was entitled to call the tune" to the extent of an extra "forty winks" in bed each morning.

(b) According to the plaintiff it has been the practice of employees of this company to rob passengers deliberately when giving them change for a ten-cent piece. The third class fare is three cents, and as far as I can gather from his testimony, if a passenger was so foolish as to tender a ten-cent piece (which, in view of the then shortage of copper coins and the fact that the new one-cent note was not then in existence, was the lowest money denomination in possession of most people) he or she was deliberately given six cents change. The one cent difference being looked upon as some kind of "profit" or "premium" for the ticket seller for performing the duties for which his employers were paying him.

### TENETS OF HONESTY

Now, in all contracts, both parties are entitled to assume that each side will perform his part faithfully and honestly. Thus, in a contract between master and servant, it is an implied condition that the servant will perform his duties in a manner which is compatible to the faithful discharge of his duty to his master, and the law provides that if such service is incompatible with the ordinary tenets of honesty, the master is entitled to dismiss him in a summary manner.

It is not incumbent on the master to give the servant reasons for his dismissal for, provided good grounds existed in fact at the time of his dismissal, it does not matter whether the employer was cognisant of them or not.

In the present case, it has been established to my complete satisfaction that the Plaintiff is a dishonest man. A man who, knowing the war-time value of the Hongkong one-cent coin, deliberately decided to rob the public to the detriment of his employers, and to this end engaged an assistant to help him. I do not believe that the Chief Inspector of the Company was an active partner in this fraud, but I do say that the gentleman in question has very peculiar ideas as to the difference between honesty and dishonesty.

It is not part of my duty to advise public utility companies as to the means and methods of conducting their business but I suggest to their legal adviser that, in view of the statements made by Plaintiff and the Chief Inspector, the time is opportune for these facts to be brought to the notice of the Board.

### DISMISSAL JUSTIFIED

I find as a fact that Defendant firm was justified in dismissing Plaintiff for gross misconduct in the performance of his duties and that, in accordance with the regulations of the company (which form an integral part of his contract with them) he is not entitled to a return of his cash deposit.

I wish to add, however, that in view of the evidence given by the Chief Inspector, the company should consider the question of making the Plaintiff an ex gratia payment in proportion to his service via a via the cash deposit he has made to them.

There will therefore be judgment for Defendants with costs.

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

### AT CENTRAL

#### DANGEROUS DRIVING ALLEGED

Cheung Kam-tong, of No. 1 Shanghai Street, appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C. yesterday summoned for driving Lorry No. 2099 along Pakshawan Road without due care and caution.

Lt. Bdr. F. Baker, R.A., stated that on June 23 he was in charge of an escort of prisoners when defendant's lorry came from behind them along Pakshawan Road at a speed of about 40 or 45 miles per hour causing the party to swerve. Defendant stated that he sounded his horn before overtaking the escort party. The case was remanded one week.

#### PLIED FOR HIRE

F. falling to return to his taxi stand which was situated at Pedder Street, Yick Lam, of No. 44, Parkes Street, was fined \$10 by Mr. Sheldon.

Traffic Sgt. Sullivan prosecuted.

#### CAUTIONED

Chan Min, of No. 61, Lockhart Road, ground floor, was cautioned by Mr. Sheldon on a summons for failing to make a report to the Police after an accident near the Naval Dockyard on July 3.

#### UTTERED FORGED RECEIPT

Wong Chek, 28, typewriter mechanic, of No. 10 San Pin Lane, first floor, appeared before Mr. Lowry charged with intent to defraud by forging a certain receipt of the Millington Typewriter Company on July 7. Accused was additionally charged with uttering a certain receipt purported to be from the Millington Typewriter Company on July 8 and also with, while being a clerk or servant to the Millington Typewriter Co., fraudulently embezzling \$40 in money received by him on July 8. Convicted on the second and third charges he was sentenced to 12 weeks' hard labour.

Mr. H. L. Kwah appeared for the prosecution.

#### BOUND OVER

As the complainant could give no reason for the attack, Yuen Hee was bound over in the sum of \$250 for one year by Mr. Sheldon on a charge of assaulting Lo Wan and possession of a chopper with intent to assault Lo at Connaught Road West, on July 24. Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, for accused, pleaded not guilty.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, for the prosecution, stated that there was a gang war between people called Yuen and others called Lo, in a district.

#### POLICEMEN CHARGED

Batch of \$2,000 was allowed defendant by Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday in the case in which a Chinese Police Constable, C.233, Chu Ping, 40, is charged with demanding \$100 with menaces together with Police Constable C.40, Lee Hei and Police Lance Sergeant A.61, Edwin McDermott, from Lo Kiu at No. 198, Queen's Road, West, on Aug. 2, with intent to steal same. Mr. M. A. da Silva is appearing for defendant, while Det. Sub-Inspector J. O'Donovan is for the prosecution.

The case was remanded to Aug. 11.

#### EVACUEE FINED

Mrs. Ethel Muriel Alton, of No. 451, The Peak, was fined \$50 by Mr. Sheldon, K.C. yesterday for failing to report her arrival in the Colony.

Det. Sgt. J. Hill stated that during the evacuation of last year on Dec. 12, Mrs. Alton, together with her children, left the Colony for Shanghai en route to Wai-chow. On arrival at Shanghai, she found that she could not go any further so she returned to the Colony and has been here for the past eight months without notifying the authorities.

It was learned yesterday that Mrs. Hill is leaving for Australia on Sunday.

#### BURGLAR CONVICTED

Lai Ping, 30, unemployed, was sentenced to a year's hard labour by Mr. Sheldon when he was convicted on two counts of burglary, one at No. 37, Repulse Bay Road, residence of Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields on July 19, and the other at No. 12 South Bay Road, residence

## FUNERAL OF MR. N. A. TRAVIN

### SHIP'S CARPENTER ON SOVIET SHIP

The funeral took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday of Nikander Andreivitch Travin, ship's carpenter on board a Soviet vessel calling at Hongkong, who died on board ship on Thursday from heart failure.

The deceased was 48 years of age, and leaves a family in Russia. The funeral oration was delivered by P. A. Sorokoff, a member of the ship's crew, who extolled the fine example set by his deceased colleague in ungrudging devotion to his work and to his country.

There were present the crews of Soviet vessels now in Hongkong, and representatives of the Soviet firm "Exportable" and of Wallen & Co., agents to the vessels in Hongkong.

Floral tributes were also sent by the crews of the vessels and by the firms.

of Mr. Gillespie, on July 29.

Yeung Man-kwong, 19, unemployed, who had three previous convictions, was also sentenced to a year's hard labour on two counts of receiving the stolen property while Tam Mui, 32, widow, convicted on similar charges, was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

Det. Sgt. J. Bentley prosecuted.

### AT KOWLOON

#### STOLE CHICKENS

Wong Liu, 43, was sentenced to 14 days' hard labour when he was found guilty before Mr. H.C. Macnamara yesterday of stealing five chickens from the back lane of 124, Temple Street.

He had one previous conviction. Sgt. Baker prosecuted.

#### JUVENILE GAOLED

Sentence of six months' hard labour was passed on a 14-year-old youth when he appeared before Mr. Macnamara on a charge of snatching a handbag from an unknown Chinese female near Dundas Street.

He had one previous conviction. Sgt. Baker prosecuted.

#### FILIPINOS IN COURT

For stealing brass name plates and brass hooks from Lock Road and Homantin Street two Filipino youths, Louis Gabriel, 18 and Henry Dean, 18, appeared before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson yesterday and were remanded until this morning when sentence will be passed.

The second defendant had two previous convictions for larceny. Sgt. Matches prosecuted.

#### GAOL AND CANING

Yuen Ngan was convicted and sentenced to four months' hard labour and eight strokes of the cane when he appeared before Mr. Anderson on a charge of snatching.

Defendant was seen to snatch a handbag from Mrs. Gutierrez while she was walking along Humphreys Avenue by several small boys who gave chase and arrested defendant near Gilman's Garage.

#### CONSPIRACY TO STEAL

Hearing was continued before Mr. Anderson yesterday of the case in which Ho Sap, Chong Man, Ho Ng, Cheung Shing-shum, Fan Yan, Wong Kwok and Yeung Yin-fong are charged with having conspired together on or before July 19 to steal a quantity of goods from junk No. 4188B.

Sgt. A. Bethell prosecuted while the defendants were represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

Evidence was given by Yau Wing-sing, Ting Kum and one other of the junk.

Further hearing was adjourned to 12.30 p.m. on Monday.

### D. O. SOUTH

#### GAMBLERS JUMP BAIL

Ball of \$75 was forfeited by Choi Pak when he failed to appear before Mr. S. F. Balfour on a charge of keeping a common gaming house for pal-kau in Tai San Back Street, Cheung Chau.

Fourteen other Chinese, charged with gambling, had balls of \$3 each forfeited on their failing to appear in Court. Table-money, \$9.21, was given to the Poor Box. S. L. McMahon prosecuted.

#### POSSESSION OF ARMS

Eight Chinese appeared before Mr. Balfour on a charge of unlawful possession of arms and

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## FAREWELL TO D.A.R.P.

A farewell parade to the Director of Air Raid Precautions, Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, O.B.E., who will be leaving toward the end of this month to assume a new post in India, will be staged tomorrow morning by the Corps of Air Raid Wardens at the Causeway Bay football ground at 8 a.m.

### HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Aug. 7:—

Cholera, five cases; Dysentery, 12 cases; Enteric Fever, four cases; Tuberculosis, 28 cases.

ammunition in Sha Lo Wan village on Aug. 3, and were remanded for one week in Police custody.

Accused were Chan Hung-sing, Yin Hing, Lai Wai-fong, Man Shu-ang, Tsang Kwai, Chan Mui, Cheng Mun-ping and Chan Siu-fong.

Sgt. J. Allen is in charge of the case.

### MARINE COURT

#### ANCHORED IN MINEFIELD

Fines totalling \$380 were imposed by Cmdr. T. C. Stiff yesterday on Mak Chik-wo, 44, junk-master, and eight other men, charged with having anchored their junks into the East Lamma Channel Minefield, a prohibited area.

#### USING WEIGHTED NET

Leung Kwai, 33, mistress of a Class IV boat, was fined a sum of \$10, in default 10 days, on the charge that she had used a weighted net for the purpose of lifting articles from the sea bed off No. 26B Buoy in Victoria Harbour without the permission of the Harbour Master.

#### NEAR LOW WATER MARK

Fines of \$7, in default seven days' hard labour, were imposed on Ng Shi, 56, and three others, charged with having anchored their craft at a distance less than 100 yards from the low water mark at the seawall near Wing Lok Wharf at 10.30 p.m. on Aug. 7.

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GOVERNMENT BY  
THE PEOPLE

IN AN AGE when the Democratic battle-cry for victory is founded on principles which involve freedom, justice and fair-play for all people, when it is considered how these words have swelled into a chorus in every part of the British Empire and in all those countries which look to the future with hope, it is a matter of grave concern that the Government of this Colony, which is supposed to be administered on the Democratic precept of "government by the people and for the people," continues stubbornly to maintain an autocratic attitude in its complete disregard of public sentiments. One has but to recall to mind the manner in which the Hongkong administration has muddled its way through during the past three or four years on issues that have been vital to the welfare and social improvement of the population to realise that the time has, indeed, come for some change that will enable the people to have a more emphatic voice in the conduct of the Colony's affairs. The recent Legislative Council debates—if they may be called debates—have revealed the utter futility of the present constitution in preventing the administration from deliberately adopting a policy which is in direct conflict with the wishes of the community.

THE MOST DETERMINED criticism which has been directed against the local Government in recent years has been in connexion with its high level of expenditure on projects that hardly justified the cost and which have resulted in little benefit to the Colony, while, at the same time, urgent measures which would have contributed to an alleviation of the terrible social conditions prevalent in Hongkong have been consistently shelved. At the last meeting of the Legislative Council, the public was told that the Colony's finances for 1940 comprised a revenue of over \$70 million and an expenditure of nearly \$85 million, leaving a surplus of \$5 million. The figures show that the Colony's expenditure and revenue have very nearly doubled in three

EXACTING NATURE OF WORK  
IN R.A.F. DAYLIGHT SWEEPS  
OVER NORTHERN FRANCE

The view that, on the Western Front, the Hun had already begun to become apprehensive, that he never knew when and where the next air attack would come and that the man to man ascendancy British pilots had gained last year was daily being added to was expressed by a GROUP CAPTAIN OF THE FIGHTER COMMAND OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the daily air sweeps over occupied France.

"I wonder whether you have noticed a small item of news which has been announced in B.B.C. bulletins for some weeks past stating that our bombers, escorted by fighters, had carried out an attack on some industrial part of Northern France," began the speaker.

## HISTORY OF THE SWEEPS

"Well, I wonder what picture comes into your minds when you hear that? Do you imagine bombers making a tip-and-run raid or merely a chance encounter with the enemy?"

"Unfortunately, it is only given to a very few to witness this sight but I wish it was possible for all of you who are now listening to me now, all who are helping us to build these planes, to see just once the type of men who carry out these raids and to get a real picture of the personal sacrifice and courage that is evident."

"As we cannot all see it, if you bear with me for a few moments, I will try and tell you something of the history of these daylight sweeps as they are called," continued the speaker.

"We are curious people we British. We are always ready to belittle our own abilities and laud

years. A large part of this increased expenditure has, of course, been spread over the defence measures which the Colony has been compelled to take to meet the possibility of hostilities being extended to this part of the world. The increased taxation which has been levied on the community to provide this revenue has been philosophically accepted by the people, despite growing economic hardships and the fact that a close study of this spending will reveal many discrepancies in the manner of its distribution and treatment of the various defence units in Hongkong.

THERE ARE other items of expenditure, however, which the Government continues to foster although it is well aware that public opinion resents wasteful extravagance in these times. This public view has, appropriately enough, just been supported by instructions which the Secretary of State has issued to Colonial Governments calling for "reduced spending on non-essentials and the accumulation of resources for improving the standards of poor populations and the continuation of economic developments". Unfortunately, these injunctions to the local Government to "raise the standard of large Colonial populations whose standard of living is so low," will never be satisfactorily carried out until the, unofficial representation on the legislature is such that it will and truly represents the voice of the people. At present, the unofficial voice is one that is merely crying out in the wilderness and the few who are courageous enough to speak frankly are fighting a one-sided battle. A change of constitution is urgently needed—a system that will bring in unofficial representation not by nomination, which simply makes for a body of "yes-men", but a system by which the Colony can be divided into wards or districts which could be represented by men selected by the people to see that freedom, justice and fair play are observed in the business of administration.

to the skies the efforts of other nations and their ability to wage war."

## DUE CREDIT GIVEN

The speaker said that every campaign of the Germans, who had fought with remarkable foresight and who had carried out each battle to a precise point had been duly credited to them. It was not, however, in the Hun to do the same. In the present raids being carried out by the R.A.F. there was every cause to know that the Germans had tried their best to discredit them.

"These operations by the R.A.F. are exacting business," said the speaker. "Nothing is left to chance. Every squadron must know how it will fight and where it will fight. Targets have to be chosen and all details worked out. Every pilot must also know what he has got to do and where every other squadron or wing is going to and what they are going to do at the same time."

## HUN ON DEFENSIVE

"When zero hour arrives, we see our cavalcade set out. Far beyond the range of human eye we see them go to the appointed place. And on the other side, it is the Hun who now stands on the defensive in Northern France. We are doing this daily—sometimes two and three times a day."

The speaker declared that in the thirty-one days from June 14 to July 14, British fighter pilots in these offensive sweeps had shot down 311 German aircraft confirmed, for the loss of 49 British pilots.

"I wish you can see the Hun now as we see him on the Western Front," continued the speaker. "He is apprehensive now. He never knows when and where the next attack is coming. Already he is showing a marked disinclination to fight. This relentless coming over him is having effect."

"The man to man ascendancy which our pilots won last year is being added to daily. This will pave the way to the ultimate German defeat, for when morale is broken, victory is swift."

## A HARDER FIGHT

"And what can I say of our own fighter pilots. They are having to fight a harder fight than last year and further away from home. And when they dismiss their work as 'just a piece of cake,' it is merely their way of saying that they are keeping their tails up and that there is nothing wrong with their morale."

"When you hear in the future the announcement in the news that I spoke of, I hope I have done a little to help you to paint a picture in your mind—a picture of great beauty as our vast formations set out against the summer sky of high hope and high endeavour."

"You hear the cheers in Kent that speed them on their way and, better still, is the welcome they receive from the people of France as they fly over—it shows that Frenchmen, in their hearts understand the purpose of our coming," concluded the speaker.

GRUESOME FIND  
IN CEMETERYTHREE MEN HELD  
ON SUSPICION

Three men are being held, it is learned, in connexion with the discovery last Saturday afternoon at the Colonial Cemetery of the dead body of a Chinese with stab wounds in the chest.

The arrests, it is understood, were effected by Det. Serjt. N. B. Fraser in the West Point District on Wednesday evening.

The murder, it is now believed, was effected some three days before the body was discovered in the Cemetery, and it is also believed the stab wounds were made with a scissor blade.

The only clue found on the body was an Immigration permit, issued in Shanghai, and bearing the deceased man's name and photo.

A.R.P. Press  
Conference"LIGHTS OUT" RULE  
MISUNDERSTOOD BY  
THE LOCAL PUBLIC

Reports coming in on the recent black-out indicate that there still seems to be a great deal of misunderstanding among the local public with regard to the time when lights have to go out on a black-out night, stated Wing-Commander A. H.S. Steele-Perkins, Director of Air Raid Precautions, at his weekly Press conference yesterday.

These reports indicate, the Director of A.R.P. said, that many people still consider the siren as the signal for lights out, while the established rule is that lights be turned off automatically at sunset and be not shown at all throughout the night.

## COMMUNICATION CORPS

The A.R.P. Communication Corps of motor-cyclists, who will work as inter-district messengers, etc. in case of a break-down of the telephone system, came into being on Thursday and are under the command of Mr. George Tinson, M.C. The corps numbers some 2,000. A large number have been supplied with push-bicycles for duties in a single district, while men engaged as inter-district messengers have been provided with motor-cycles and will undergo a course of instruction in their particular duties. A number of communications centres have also been opened.

## BLACK-OUT LIGHTING

The A.R.P. Black-out Lighting Exhibition Unit is to start another tour of Kowloon and Hongkong districts shortly. The unit, which has been travelling through villages in the New Territories, seeks to educate the public to ways and means of effective black-out lighting, while using only what shading materials may be available in the home.

## NEW ENTRANCE

The construction work going on at the junction of Wyndham Street and Lower Albert Road, where a good section of the road has been dug up, has to do with another entrance to the A.R.P. tunnel running under Lower Albert Road and burrowed deep under the hillside, with other entrances to it in Duddell Street and Queen's Road. There are six entrances in all.

The tunnel, it is expected, should be able to accommodate about 10,000 people. The entrance from Wyndham Street will consist of a spiral staircase leading down. It will be protected with blast screens, and is considered to be fairly safe except in the case of a direct hit.

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ACTIONAlleged Infringement  
Of Trade Mark

A dispute regarding an alleged infringement of a registered trade mark was heard before Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall at the Summary Court and in which Chan Po, trading as the Foo Chun Chai, grocers and confectioners, of No. 27 Queen's Road West, claimed damages from the Foo Kwai-chai firm, grocers and confectioners, of No. 12 Queen's Road West.

Mr. J. M. d'Almeida Remedios appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. F. G. Nigel was for the defendant.

In the statement of claim, plaintiff stated that he was the proprietor of a trade mark known as "Bat" mark and was registered as such on June 23 as Trade Mark No. 128 of 1941.

Plaintiff alleged infringement by defendant who applied the same mark or a mark so nearly resembling trade mark No. 128 as to be calculated to deceive on cakes and confectioneries sold by defendants between June 3 and July 2.

## DAMAGES CLAIMED

Plaintiff claimed damages for such infringements limiting the amount to \$1,000, and also costs of the action.

The defence admitted infringement and only the amount of damages is to be decided.

After evidence further hearing was adjourned to this morning.

The marriage took place on July 20, in London, of Albert William Burkill, O.B.E., and Catherine Isabelle Sklener.

CHINESE LANDLORD SUED  
FOR ALLEGEDLY WRONGFUL  
EJECTION: COURT RULING

A ruling on two preliminary points in connexion with the case in which the Sze Sun Barber Shop, of Tsa Ko Ling, New Territories, South, claimed damages amounting to \$1,000 as the result of wrongful ejection by its landlord, Yau Kai, merchant, also of Tsa Ko Ling, was given by Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall at the Summary Court yesterday.

Plaintiffs claimed that no notice to quit had been served on them and on June 20 were ejected from the premises with their families and their furniture thrown into the street. They claimed \$100 for special damages, \$700 for actual damage of furniture, \$300 for loss of business and \$500 for exemplary damages on account of the high-handed and illegal conduct of the defendant. They waived the \$600 to bring the action within Summary jurisdiction.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, while Mr. F. G. Nigel was for the defence.

## THE RULING.

Giving his ruling his Lordship said:—

In this case Plaintiffs claim the sum of \$1,000 as damages for a trespass alleged to have been committed by Defendant. Two points have been raised which must be determined before the case goes any further. They are (a) were the Plaintiffs ever the tenants of Defendant and (b) was a valid notice to quit ever served on a man named Li Chuen who Defendant says was his tenant.

With regard to (a) it is quite clear that Li Chuen is the person who was granted the tenancy by the landlord but it is also clear that he is the proprietor of the Sze Sun Barber Shop and that he carried on his business as a barber on the demised premises. The Sze Sun Barber shop is therefore his trade or firm name and under the Code of Civil Procedure he is entitled to sue in that name. I think, however, as a matter of strict practice, his name should appear as Plaintiff and I therefore propose, in exercise of the powers given to the Court under section 55 and 186 of the Code, to amend the writ by adding the words "Li Chuen, trading under the name and style of the" before the words "Sze Sun Barber Shop."

With regard to (b) I have reached the conclusion that a valid and effective notice to quit was never given to Li Chuen by Defendant. As I have already indicated to the solicitor for Defendant, the evidence of the service of the written notice to quit issued by a firm of solicitors on February 21, 1941, is most unsatisfactory and I cannot find that this notice was ever delivered to Li Chuen. There,

however, remains the alleged verbal notice given to him on or about May 5, 1941, when he and the landlord's son appeared before the Chief Clerk at the Magistrate's Court.

## DEFENCE ALLEGATION

It is alleged by the defence that on that day Li Chuen was given one and a half month's notice to quit and that he agreed to do so.

The evidence on this point shows that following a complaint made by Defendant's son to Mr. Taylor, Chief Clerk of the Magistrate's Court, Li Chuen was sent for and after some discussion he (Li Chuen) undertook to vacate the premises in one and a half month's time.

The son (Yau Tam) states that the tenant was told by the Chief Clerk that if he did not vacate within the period his goods and chattels would be removed.

Now while it is clear that a verbal notice to quit may be given by an agent of the landlord, it is equally clear that such notice must be given in the name of the principal, or expressly on his behalf, and it must, furthermore, be clear and certain in its terms. There must be no doubt as to its legality and it has been held that if it is so given by an agent having only a special authority (as in this case) the fact of his agency must be apparent on the face of it. From the evidence given by Mr. Taylor, by the landlord's son and by Defendant himself, I am unable to find that these conditions were complied with at the meeting which took place and in my view the alleged verbal notice given on or about May 5, 1941, was not a valid legal notice and is therefore null and void.

It follows from this that the case must now proceed to trial on the further issues involved.

## NEWSETTES

His Excellency the Governor has on medical advice cancelled his engagement to be present at the swimming meeting at the Victoria Recreation Club pool this evening.

Mr. Addison E. Southard, United States Consul-General, returned to the Colony yesterday after three months' furlough in the United States.

His Excellency the Governor will visit the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps on Friday, Aug. 15, at 6 p.m. and present the Governor's Trophy.

The death occurred on July 24, at Shanghai, of Igor Vasilievich Ivanoff, aged 22 years. Funeral services were held on July 30, at the St. Nicholas Church, 18 Rue Cornelle, and was followed by interment at the Hungjiao Road Cemetery.

The death occurred on July 29, at her residence, 208 Avenue Haig, of Que Qui Guy, age 76 years, widow of the late William Tonkyn Guy.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Kleyn of Shanghai wish to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Wilhelmina (Pop) Kleyn, to Hugo Ridder Huyssen van Kattendijke, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. F. Ridder Huyssen van Kattendijke of Gorssel, Holland.

The marriage took place on July 20, at New York, N.Y., U.S.A., of Sylvain, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hermann of New York, and Betty, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Bernstam of Shanghai.

UNIFORM MATERIAL  
FOR CHINESE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (Reuter)—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, United States Secretary for Treasury, revealed yesterday that 10,000,000 yards of cotton grey goods are being sent to China under the Lend Lease and Act for the manufacture of Chinese uniforms.

TAMPERED WITH  
REGISTERED  
LETTERPOSTMAN FACING  
SERIOUS CHARGE

Tso Kan, 33, postman No. 131, appeared before Mr. G. T. Lowry at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of breach of the Regulations by endangering the safety of a registered letter by failing to return an undeliverable registered letter to his Superintendent Officer at General Post Office, on Dec. 21 of last year.

Mr. Fitches, Superintendent of Mails, appeared for the prosecution, while Mr. W. M. Brown was for the defence and pleaded Not Guilty.

It was stated that the registered letter in question was from Canada and addressed to the Kwong Sang Co., No. 40 Connaught Road, West. The letter was received in Hongkong on Dec. 21 last year. Accused was detailed to deliver the letter and on the same day he found that the letter was not deliverable. He did not report non-delivery of the letter to his Superintendent Officer until two days later.

## CHEQUE MISSING

Mr. Fitches stated that the incident first came to his notice in April when a letter was received from the Post Master in Ottawa, Canada, complaining that a cheque contained in a registered letter which was sent back to Canada, was missing. The registered letter in question was returned to Hongkong and was found to have been tampered with.

The cheque formerly contained in the letter was traced and was found to have already been cashed at the American Express Company on Dec. 21 of last year. The letter was therefore in accused's custody when the cheque was taken out of it. Accused was accordingly arrested.

Further hearing was adjourned to Aug. 14.



## CORRUPT GERMANY: MORBID QUEST FOR STRONG SENSATIONS

LONDON, Aug. 7.—Germany is corrupt from top to bottom, according to an article in the NEW YORK DAILY NEWS on Aug. 6 by the French Journalist, Michel Fobers, who, after working for a year in the PARIS JOUR ECHO under the Germans, has escaped to New York.

## DAYS OF EASY PICKINGS FOR JAPANESE OVER

### Showdown Over Thai Believed Imminent

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Central).—That a showdown over Thailand is believed to be fast approaching is the view held by well-informed circles in London. Whether or not it would end in a shooting war seems to depend solely on Japan's moves in the next few days.

Mr. Anthony Eden, British Secretary for Foreign Affairs, and Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, have already given blunt warnings to the same effect. Mr. Sol Bloom, U.S. Congressman, after interviewing Mr. Hull, said that Britain and the United States would not tolerate any Japanese move against Thailand.

Mr. Paul McNutt, Federal Security Administrator, said that Japan must be made to understand that she can move no further without fighting.

Public opinion is convinced that the days of easy pickings by Tokyo are over, so are also the days of pusillanimous gestures by the Democracies in the Far East: empires cannot be built by bluff, any more than aggression can be checked by words.

## Turkey's Crops

Turkey is dressing 200,000 tons of wheat seed with a British preparation which arrests a deadly crop scourge.

There are 15,000,000 acres of wheat in Turkey, as much as there are in Australia, and attacks on it by a fungus have caused serious losses.

British research chemists have given the name Agrosan G to a discovery which, when applied to the seed, kills the fungus before it can develop.

The scientific workers of Great Britain have also succeeded in stopping fungicidal attacks on the foliage of Turkey's vines. For long Turkey imported copper sulphate to make Bordeaux mixture, a remedy used by fruit growers everywhere. The results were often disappointing when the lime was not quite fresh and the proportions not exactly right.

The new spray costs no more than the old and it can be used for a wide range of leaf diseases in fruit bearing trees, and even as seed dressing for cotton, another important Turkish crop.

## OLDEST HOUSE WRECKED

London's oldest house, No. 10, Nevill's-court, off Fetterlane, is another place which has been ruined as a result of recent raids. Other damaged London buildings, it was revealed, are the Royal Naval College, Greenwich; the Royal College of Surgeons; Bermondsey Town Hall, and St. Clement's Church, Pont-street, Chelsea.

Only the sagging walls of No. 10, Nevill's-court are left standing. It survived the Great Fire of London; it was scorched by incendiary bombs and scarred by an H.E. that destroyed neighbouring property last autumn, yet it was still standing virtually intact in the midst of blazing wreckage after a recent night's bombing.

From 8 to 24 hours to prevent the flames spreading from surrounding fires, but in the end the seasoned timbers of "No. 10" burst into flame, and its Wren dog-leg, staircase and oak beams were soon burned.

## WICKHAM STEED

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"There is also a threat by Japan to Russia. Here again the Japanese may be prudent or imprudent according to the way in which the Russo-German war is likely to go. Of course, she may go ahead in any event. She is committed in China and so more deeply committed in Indo-China that she may have to go ahead even if Hitler becomes deeply committed in Russia."

Mr. Steed next dealt with what he termed the German designs in Southern Russia and the Middle East and declared that in his opinion the occupation of Syria had compelled Herr Hitler to seek another approach to his ultimate aim which was the conquest of India. He had tried to make out that the massing of troops against Russia was only a mask to cover an attempt against Turkey. That was why Russia was caught unprepared and the Germans were able to gain a great advantage in the first few days of their campaign.

There was increasing evidence that Herr Hitler and his German General Staff had hoped to break through the Russian defences and capture Leningrad, Moscow and Kiev in a few weeks. If that had succeeded the oilfields of Baku and the rich tablelands of Iran would have been open to him and not only Afghanistan, but Baluchistan and the North-West Frontier of India would have been threatened. The whole of the Middle East would have been imperilled and if, at the same time, the Japanese could operate against Thailand and East India, General Sir Archibald Wavell would have had his work cut out for him.

### PLAN WENT ASTRAY

"This may have been in Hitler's mind," said Mr. Steed, "and if his reckoning had proved right and his forces had gone through Russia like a knife through butter it would have given him the most spectacular of his triumphs. The task of Britain and her Allies, notwithstanding the aid from the United States, would have been rendered harder."

"The Russians however, are well aware that on Hitler's main thrust against them the future of the world depends. They do not say that they can win this struggle by themselves. They want all the help that Britain and the United States can give them and they are anxious and eager to see the Germans hampered both in Western Europe and everywhere else. They realize the military value of the R. A. F. raids and they do not forget the achievements of the British Navy in sinking or putting out of action 450,000 tons of enemy shipping in July."

Mr. Steed then commented on what he called the astronomical figures of Russian losses as given by the German High Command and also the figures of Allied

planes and ships which the Germans claim to have destroyed.

### BATTLE OF BRITAIN

"The Germans are losing the Battle of Britain," declared Mr. Steed. "They may be employing some sort of trick even now but it is obvious that the military achievements of the Russians have been stupendous. Just as our Air Force in the Battle of Britain broke down the German claim that their Air Force was irresistible so the Russians have broken up, for the first time, a German land offensive. The Russians have now familiarised themselves with German strategy and have foreseen the German plans to encircle them."

"This accounts for the violence of the fight and the heavy losses involved."

"Who can keep up the violence of this fighting and stand the losses better? The answer does not seem to favour the Germans."

"They are fighting on long lines in a hostile country and the outcome should not favour the aggressors. It is this prospect that is beginning to spread vast forbodings, if not dismay, throughout Germany. This war is a world-wide struggle for the future of the world. It is a struggle that is moral as well as military. Now is the moment for the forces of freedom to hold the enemy and strike harder for victory," concluded Mr. Steed.

### WARNING

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Government is convinced that an Anglo-American "encirclement" movement is under way against Japan, an official spokesman told foreign correspondents in Tokyo.

He said that Japan has not given any cause for the military preparations undertaken by Britain in Malaya and Burma and these preparations could only be regarded as serving British aims.

Mr. Eden's reference to Thailand "speaks for itself," the spokesman continued.

"These remarks," he added, "are under the scrutiny of the Japanese."

The ABCD alignment against Japan is economic, military and political, the spokesman asserted, but he was not including Russia at present.

### JAPANESE SEIZE OIL CARGO

SHANGHAI, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—The Socony tanker Melyo, which was detained by the Japanese Navy at a Yangtze River port, has been turned over to the Customs authorities after about 2,000 barrels of oil found aboard, destined for the guerrilla area in the Yangtze Delta, were confiscated, revealed a Japanese spokesman at this afternoon's Press conference.

The Melyo, which was stated to have been chartered by the Chinese, is likely to be returned to Socony.

## Government White Paper On Colonial Standard Of Living

LONDON, Aug. 8 (British Wireless).—Instructions to Colonial Governments on the proper use of economic resources in wartime were published in London yesterday as a White Paper.

The Secretary of State for Colonies, in a despatch, recommends reduced spending on non-essentials, accumulation of resources for improving the standards of poor populations and continuation of economic development.

"The economic needs of war require that efforts much more greatly commensurate with those now being made in this country be made by all inhabitants of the Colonial Empire who enjoy a comparatively high standard of living."

"It is an imperative duty, however, to do all practically possible to raise the standard of large Colonial populations whose standard of living is so low that this policy cannot and should not be applied to them even in wartime."

### FIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

In order to save shipping, foreign exchange and productive capacity, Lord Moyne recommends:

Firstly, imports should be greatly curtailed; Secondly, dollars are not to be paid for goods purchasable with sterling; Thirdly, existing imported stocks to be saved; Fourthly, income tax be brought much closer to the United Kingdom level where it exists and introduced where it does not, and

Fifthly, a great propaganda drive for investing in war saving schemes based on the paramount need of avoiding luxury expenditure.

### SECOND OBJECT

The second object of the White Paper is stressed as "an obligation to raise the standard of living of all classes whose standard is below the minimum that can be regarded as adequate."

Particular importance is attached to the training of rural teachers, health workers and agricultural demonstrators, on whom progress after the war may largely depend.

There should be no neglect of soil erosion work to protect the fertility of land and forest conservation measures against crop diseases and insect pests.

Work should also continue on development schemes designed not only to improve the long term economic position but to produce commodities of wartime value, including local production to replace imports.

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## GERMANS SUFFERING STAGGERING LOSSES ON EASTERN FRONT

LONDON, Aug. 7.—How the Germans on the Eastern Front are suffering staggering losses, far exceeding all predictions, is indicated by the American columnists Lazareff and Root on Aug. 6, who give the facts from incontrovertible evidence as gleaned from important official German documents giving confidential details of German losses until July 11.

Here is the record: Within the first week of the war, Germany lost, killed, wounded and prisoners 40,000 daily. In the same period, they lost 450 tanks and armoured cars, and 550 planes.

The second week was even more costly, men lost were 360,000, tanks 700 to 800, and planes 850. In the third week, men were 350,000, tanks 700 and planes 800.

### MILLION KILLED

Thus Germany's losses for three weeks of warfare amounted to nearly 1,000,000 killed, wounded or captured, 1,900 tanks and armoured cars, and 2,200 planes.

We understand that the fourth week's losses were almost as great as the third.

The columnists conclude that this is a heavy price even for complete success. But the programme did not work out. The Germans have paid a terrific price, but their object is unattained.

## CURRENT COST OF LIVING

Prices ruling in the market during the current week were, generally, higher than those of last week with vegetables showing the greatest increases.

The following are yesterday's quotations with last week's given in brackets:—

### MEAT

Beef ..... 74 cents per lb. (74)  
Mutton ..... 72 cents per lb.  
Pork ..... 95 cents per lb. (90)

### POULTRY

Chicken ..... \$2.40 per catty (\$2.20)  
Capon ..... 1.75 per catty (\$1.80)  
Duck ..... .95 per catty (.90)  
Geese ..... 1.25 per catty (\$1.00)  
Pigeon ..... .90 each (.85)

### VEGETABLES

Potatoes ..... 12 per lb. (12)  
Onions ..... .08 per lb. (.07)  
Carrots ..... .30 per lb. (.28)  
Tomatoes ..... .44 per lb. (.28)  
Cabbage ..... .36 per lb. (.28)  
String-beans ..... .42 per lb. (.30)  
Spinach ..... .10 per lb. (.10)  
Cucumber ..... .15 per lb. (.20)  
Turnips ..... .48 per lb. (.36)  
Melon ..... 13 per lb. (10)  
Lettuce ..... .48 per lb. (.25)

### FRUITS

Apples, green ..... 70 per lb. (.70)  
Apples, red ..... .05 per lb. (.08)  
Bananas ..... .18 per lb. (.20)  
Grape Fruits ..... .35 each.  
Lemon ..... .10 each. (.13)  
Limes ..... .36 per lb. (.30)  
Oranges ..... 2.40 per dos. (\$2.60)  
Pineapples ..... .15 per lb. (.18)  
Pineapple ..... .20 each.

## "TRAVELLING HOSPITAL"

LONDON.—A £100,000 "travelling hospital" of 100 beds is being shipped across the Atlantic, beam and bolt, to be set up in Britain. The hospital is built of 25 prefabricated wooden units, and can be put up or taken down in 48 hours. Each bed is in a separate room.

It is a gift to Britain by the American Red Cross, which is also making a grant of £80,000 to start it. Harvard University will finance the running with a yearly gift of £25,000.

At present the hospital is at Boston, U.S.A., assembled, and is being tested for draughts. It has already been tested satisfactorily for speed in assembling.

With the hospital will come all the fittings and equipment for the laboratories, including the latest type of electric motors for power generation and the newest and most elaborate medical equipment.

### HARVARD DOCTORS

Fifty American Red Cross nurses and 20 Harvard doctors will be crossing with the hospital, and will serve as its staff.

It will be known as the American Red Cross—Harvard Hospital for Infectious Diseases, and is intended to be taken to any part of Britain where an epidemic occurs.

The director, Dr. John E. Gordon, Professor of Preventive Medicine and Epidemiology at Harvard, arrived in London recently from Lisbon with a small team of research epidemiologists.

They expect to do some preliminary investigations in the large public shelters and elsewhere. In case of an outbreak their special job will be to trace the source of the epidemic and take measures to prevent it spreading. They will decide what points the hospital will travel.

At present there are fewer than a dozen American doctors in Britain. But the Ministry of Health has been informed that hundreds can be sent at a moment's notice if necessary.

## GENERAL DENTZ INTERRED

BEIRUT, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—

General Dentz, former Vichy High Commissioner in Syria, and 85 other Vichy officers have been interred in view of the non-release of a number of Allied officers.

It was stated a few days ago that 75 British and Indian officer-prisoners were still unaccounted for, having been flown by Vichy pilots to unknown destinations.

## CUNARD-WHITE STAR LINER DAMAGED

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—The Cunard-White Star Line announces that the 28,000-ton liner Georgic has been damaged by enemy action.

All but one of her crew are safe. No troops were being carried at the time.

## ESCAPED FROM TUNG WAH

Lau Tung, 37, found lying sick at Jackson Road, was taken by a European to the Queen Mary Hospital in his own car.

It was discovered that the man had escaped from the Tung Wah Hospital on Thursday.

Cheung Wing, 22, was yesterday admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital, suffering from a chopper wound on his head alleged to have been inflicted by a Chinese, male, known to him, at No. 25, North



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## CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

10th Sunday after Pentecost. Morning services: 1st Mass at 8.30 with sermon in Chinese, 2nd Mass at 8 with sermon in English, 3rd Mass at 10 with sermon in English; Evening services: at 8.30 Catechetical Instruction, at 4 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction. Aug. 12—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. Aug. 14—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction at 5.30 p.m. Aug. 15—The Assumption of Our Lady—Holyday of Obligation. 1st Mass at 8.30, 2nd Mass at 7.30 3rd Mass at 10. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction at 5.30 p.m. On week days Mass at 8.30 and 7.30. Confessions morning and evening.

## ROSARY CHURCH

Aug. 10, 10th Sunday after Pentecost. 8.30 a.m. Mass with sermon in Chinese; 7.30, English; 8.30, Portuguese; 9.30, English, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; 2 p.m. Catechetical Instruction; 2.30, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; From 3 to 6 p.m. Retreat for Altar boys.

## ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL

187, Portland Street, Mongkok. Aug. 10: 8 a.m. Mass with sermon in Chinese; 8 p.m. Evening Prayer, Catechetical and Benediction. Aug. 15: The Assumption of Our Lady. At 8 a.m. Mass.

## CATHOLIC NEWS &amp; NOTES

## CONVENT DESTROYED: MARGARET YEO: DIPLOMAT OF OTHER DAYS

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which occurs next Friday, is the double commemoration of her death and of her corporeal assumption into heaven. Belief in the latter is a very ancient tradition in the Church. Details of her death are completely lacking. The dates commonly assigned for it vary between three and fifteen years after Christ's Ascension. The time of the year is equally unknown. The choice of the present date probably had its origin in the date of the dedication of some church. The feast has been observed in August since the sixth century.

The place of Mary's death is marked in one tradition to be Jerusalem, in another Ephesus. A tomb is shown in Jerusalem, but no evidence exists that it was recognised as the actual tomb in the early centuries.

The selection of the passages of Scripture for the Mass of the day show great ingenuity in their application to Mary of things that were primarily said of others, or of certain virtues. The Epistle, for instance, deals with wisdom, in a passage from the Book of Wisdom, but almost every phrase of it can be applied to Mary and to the honour shown to her by God. The Gospel deals with the scene in the home of Martha and Mary, when Martha asked Christ to tell Mary to give up her contemplation and assist in the work of the house. Christ's reply, that "Mary has chosen the better part," is given special prominence in the Mass.

## CONVENT DESTROYED

It takes a very long time before details of the damage done by air-raids in England can be revealed, and it was only several months after the event that the full account was given of the severe damage done to the Convent of the Sacred Heart in Roehampton, London, the Mother house of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart.

Incendiary bombs started fires in the chapel, Novice House, and community wing, ruining the greater part of the school buildings. Mother Janet Erskine Stuart, the Superior-General of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart, whose books are very well known, spent most of her religious life at Roehampton. It was there that she wrote her work, "The Education of Catholic Girls."

## MARGARET YEO

The writing of Saints' lives in English, including those lives which are intended for popular reading, has improved to a re-

markable degree in recent years, and among those who will be remembered for her part in it will certainly be Mrs. Margaret Yeo, who died this summer.

It is only after the death of her husband, an invalid, that she gave her full time to writing, and in addition to a novel, "SALT," and many short stories, she wrote lives of St. Francis Xavier, St. Francis Borgia, St. Charles Borromeo and other books. She did a good deal of her writing while suffering from cancer of the throat, which threatened to be fatal.

Her Lives of Saints, combining picturesque writing with sound historical research. Many found the writing at times too picturesque, but it made palatable to many readers studies in biography that were accurate and honest, and never dull.

## DIPLOMAT OF OTHER DAYS

Chile is this year celebrating the four hundredth anniversary of the founding of Santiago, and the books and articles on the Republic that have appeared in the United States this year recalled the name of Herman Allen, one of the first American envoys to Chile. His memory was also revived by references to him in a recently published life of his near relative, Fanny Allen, one of the first native-born nuns of the New England States.

Herman Allen belonged to one of the leading families of New England. After his father's death he was adopted by his uncle, Ira Allen, who was regarded as the Father of the State, because of the part he played in its political and cultural development.

Herman had a distinguished career, holding the office of Chief Justice of Vermont County, representative for Vermont to the legislature and then for seven years Minister to Chile. On his monument it is recorded that he died "in the communion of the Catholic Church."

## ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH

Sunday, 9th Sunday after Trinity: 8 a.m. Holy Communion; 8 p.m. Short Evening Service. Preacher, Rev. Cyril Brown. Launch bathing parties for Seafarers on Saturday and Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

## ST. TERESA'S CHURCH

Aug. 9: At 3.30 p.m. Meeting of St. Teresa's C.Y.L.A. Aug. 10: 10th Sunday after Pentecost. 7 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in Chinese; 8.30 a.m. Choral Mass, Sermon in English and Benediction; 10.30 a.m. Holy Mass with Sermon in English; 11.15 a.m. Meeting of St. Teresa's Conference of R.V.P.

## FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

31 Macdonnell Road. The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches will be: "Spirit."

The Golden Text will be: "The fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth." (Ephesians 5: 9) Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "No man hath seen God at any time. Hereby know we that we dwell in him and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit." (1 John 4: 12, 13)

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "In the Bible the word Spirit is so commonly applied to Deity, that Spirit and God are often regarded as synonymous terms; and it is thus that they are uniformly used and understood in Christian Science. Spirit is the only substance, the invisible and indivisible God. He is all-inclusive and is reflected by all that is real and eternal and by nothing else. He fills all space, and it is impossible to conceive of such omnipresence and individuality except as Infinite Spirit or Mind. Hence all is Spirit and Spiritual. Science and Health: Pp. 348, 350, and 351)

## ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

9th Sunday after Trinity: 8 a.m. Holy Communion, and in the Peak Church; 11 a.m. Matins and Sermon, Preacher, the Bishop of H.K.; 7 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Preacher, Rev. C. Strong, R.N. Holy Communion will be celebrated on Thursday at 7.30 a.m. and Friday at 7.45 a.m. (in Cantonese). Notices for the week: Badminton on Monday in the Cathedral Hall at 8 p.m.

## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

9th Sunday after Trinity. 8 a.m. Holy Communion, followed by Breakfast in the Hall 10 a.m. Junior Sunday School. 11 a.m. Matins and Sermon; Preacher: Rev. D.M. Richards, M.A. 7 p.m. Evensong and Sermon; Preacher: The Acting Vicar: "The Faith of the Church." The Social Hour is held in the Hall after this service. Monday—10 a.m. Medical War Working Party for China. Wednesday—5.30 p.m. Wolf Cubs. 6.45 p.m. Choir Practice. 8.45 p.m. Rovers. Thursday—10.30 a.m. Medical War Working Party for China. 8.45 p.m. Club & Fellowship Card Evening. Friday—5.30 p.m. Scouts. 6.30 p.m. Intercessions in connection with the War. The Rooms of St. Andrew's Fellowship are open daily from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

## ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

August 10: 10th Sunday after Pentecost. First Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m.; Second Mass at 10 a.m., followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. August 15: The Assumption of Our Lady. (Holy-day of Obligation). Holy Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m. On week days, Holy Mass at 8 a.m. Confessions are heard every day, before and after Mass. On Saturdays, the special time for Confessions is from 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

## MARRIAGE AT CHRIST CHURCH



Mr. Geraint G. Davies, B.A., and his bride, formerly Miss Margaret L. Whitley, of the Education Department, who were married at Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, yesterday afternoon—(King's Stud o).

## POPULAR KOWLOON WEDDING

MR. G. C. DAVIES & MISS M. L. WHITLEY

A very popular wedding took place at Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, yesterday afternoon between MR. GERAINTE GEORGE DAVIES, B.A. (Lond.), Dip. Ed. (Cantab.), son of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Davies, of Wales, and MISS MARGARET LOUISE WHITLEY, eldest daughter of the late Mr. C. Whitley, I.A.S.C., and Mrs. Whitley, who is at present in Australia.

The Rev. G. E. S. Upsell, M.A., Hon. C.F., officiated and the services were fully choral.

The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. T. S. D. Whitley, and was attended by Miss Carew, of the Queen Mary Hospital.

Mr. Donald Davidson discharged the duties of bestman.

## THE RECEPTION

A largely attended reception was held on the first floor of Peninsula Hotel when the health of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by Mr. Upsell and a toast to absent friends was proposed by the bridegroom.

The bride, a former pupil of the Central British School, is an assistant mistress in the Education Department and is at present Head Mistress of the Kowloon Junior School. She joined the Education Department in 1924 and is an artist of no mean ability.

The bridegroom is an Assistant Master in the Diocesan Boys' School and is a prominent figure in local amateur dramatics.

## EMPLOYMENT FOR WOMEN REFUGEES

More than 200 women have registered with the Hongkong branch of the Chinese National Women's Relief Association for obtaining employment in sewing, embroidery and other forms of work.

The Association, which started the registration recently, are now examining their qualifications before assigning them work.

The 200 women, ranging from 20 to 40 years old, are mostly refugees in Hongkong from the war areas. Many of them were middle school students.—(Central).

## MAKING CHINESE AIR-CONSCIOUS

The Chinese Association for the Promotion of Aviation in Chungking, headed by Major-General Chen Chin-yun, will shortly establish a branch in Hongkong in order to gain the support of the Chinese here to the aviation reconstruction programme of their home government.

Periodicals on aviation subjects are published by the Association and the main tasks of the Association are to make the Chinese air-conscious through propaganda, raise aeroplane funds and promote civilian aviation.

## THE CHRISTIAN &amp; MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

25, Cumberland Rd., Kowloon Tong. Sunday Services: 10 a.m. Worship (English). Speaker: The Rev. John Hechtel; 11 a.m. Worship (Cantonese). Speaker: Mr. Peter Sung; 7.30 p.m. Evangelistic Service (Cantonese); 8 p.m. Sunday School.

## BRITISH LEGION MEETING

## Healthy State Of Finances Reported

A very satisfactory financial year was revealed at the Annual General Meeting of the British Legion, Hongkong and China Branch, which was held yesterday in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, with Mr. F. C. Hall, Chairman, presiding.

Accounts were in a very healthy state with the sum of \$3,609 in the bank.

Donations of \$1,000 to the Bomber Fund, \$500 to the B.W.O.F. and \$500 to the Prison's War Fund were unanimously agreed upon by the meeting.

A vote of thanks to the honorary auditors, Messrs. Unstead and Davies was given on the proposal of the chairman.

## OFFICE BEARERS

Office bearers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—

Chairman, Mr. F. C. Hall; Vice-chairman, Col. G. K. Hall-Brutton; Committee members, Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E., J. F. MacGregor, Major J. L. Wilcocks, D.S.O., M.C., Mr. G. Miskin, Lt.-Col. E. J. F. Mitchell, O.B.E., Mr. D. L. Newbigging, Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., and Mr. G. G. N. Tinson.

Messrs. Unstead and Davies were re-elected honorary auditors.

## PETITION FOR REDUCTION OF CAPITAL

A petition for confirming the reduction of its capital from \$3,250,000 to \$2,000,000 was brought before the Paine Judge, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, at the Supreme Court yesterday by the Shui Tei Thong Company, Limited.

Petitioners were represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks.

Mr. D'Almada said that the capital of the company had been reduced twice before and was entirely a family concern.

His Lordship made an order for a special resolution for the reduction of the capital to be confirmed.

## NEW CALIFORNIA RULING

Mr. Culbert Olson, Governor of California, signed a bill making it unlawful for aliens residing in California to inherit property.

The measure was recently introduced to the State Legislature by Mr. Gardiner Johnson, Assemblyman.

The new ruling will only be directed against aliens whose countries do not recognise the inheritances of estates and private property owned by United States citizens.

## ENGLISH METHODIST CHURCH

Services on Sunday, Aug. 10, 1941. Preachers: Morning, Rev. J. E. Sandbach; Evening, Rev. W. H. Alton. Morning Parade Service at 10.15 a.m. Hymns: 2, 604, 62, 70, 628. This will be broadcast. Evening Service at 7 p.m. Hymns: 40, 260, 632, 700.

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"And how long have you been in the hotel business?"

"Six months and two weeks, Sir."

"And are you going to stick to it?"

"Oh yes, Sir. I want to go into reception, then have a year in New York, and another in London."

"And then come back and manage an hotel?"

"Oh no, Sir. A chain of hotels."

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## "A NEW ANNOYANCE": SHAI PAPER'S COMMENTS ON H.K. GOVERNMENT

Under the heading "A NEW ANNOYANCE" the following leading article appeared in a recent issue of the North China Daily News.

The behaviour of the Hongkong Government with regard to women resident in the Colony, and now those who wish to pass through it, is becoming "curiouser and curiously". The letter from Mr. W. S. Kirby published on Tuesday indicates that the colonial authorities still consider the place safe enough for the wives of some twenty-two government officials and 1,000 other British women and children. Within the last few days it has been announced that women and children will no longer be permitted to land in Hongkong even in transit. Formerly they were allowed to stay in the port a maximum of seven days while awaiting their outgoing ship. This has now been prohibited and unless immediate transshipment can be effected, women and children passengers are obliged to go on to Macao there to wait for their outgoing ship, upon the arrival of which in the Colony the passengers safely tucked away in the Portuguese possessions are allowed to travel back to Hongkong to join it.

Surely the argument must be that if Hongkong is safe enough for over one thousand British women and children to continue residence there, it is safe enough for passengers in transit to wait for as long as a week and even longer if necessary. It is already

reported that this latest ruling has seriously inconvenienced women passengers from Shanghai desiring to proceed to Australia. Ships are becoming few and far between in these days. The possibility of making a ship to ship change over in Hongkong is much less now than before, and by this utterly irrational ruling of the Hongkong authorities British women and children, obeying the suggestion of their authorities in China to leave wherever possible, are being impeded in a manner which is completely without justification. Surely the duty of the Hongkong Government is to do everything in its power to assist Britons from China and elsewhere who are loyally following the advice of their officials. That it is not doing and there cannot be anything but criticism for its attitude.

The evacuation muddle in Hongkong was in itself a scandalous example of inefficiency on the one hand and it is alleged discrimination on the other, and it is not astonishing that there should be so much indignation in the Colony over the manner in which so many were permitted to escape the evacuation order.

This latest order of the Hongkong authorities will certainly not serve to allay that indignation, but only to extend it to other Britons in the Far East who are being inconvenienced by what appears to be a most fatuous ruling. Obviously it does nothing to enhance the safety of the Colony and its inhabitants. Passengers in transit are in no greater danger than people actually residing, and it cannot for one moment be believed that their temporary stopping over in the Colony can in any way inconvenience the officials who seem to have devised as cumbersome a method of dealing with a very simple matter as can possibly be conceived. In times such as these the simplest methods are always the best, and enforced trips to Macao, of course, at the passenger's expense do not commend themselves as the best substitute for awaiting outgoing ships in Hongkong.

It is not to be expected that the foregoing criticism will have much effect upon the official mind in Hongkong. The last thing that can be expected of it is that it should change its decision and revert to the old practice which after all worked smoothly and inflicted no hardship on anyone. But it is suggested that Hongkong officialdom which has been making quite a number of mistakes recently should approach the various problems which present themselves and it is not admitted for one moment that women transit passengers are anything in the nature of a problem, with a real desire to make everything as simple as possible, especially for people following the advice of their officials here. If there is no co-ordination between the consular service in China and the colonial administration common sense requires that there should be an adjustment. There is, however, just the possibility that common sense is far too vulgar a commodity for the Hongkong official mind.

### INDIAN CLOTHES FACILITIES

SIMLA, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Over 4,000,000 articles of clothing were manufactured by eight clothing factories in India during May, mainly in Bombay, Sharnjhanpur, Calcutta and Madras.

Two branch factories were opened in Bangalore and Ramgarh for the manufacture of clothing for prisoners of war by the prisoners themselves.

These sub-factories, housed in tents and temporary buildings, have already started production.

**KWEILIN RAID  
VICTIMS**

The National Relief Commission has remitted \$50,000 to the Kwangsi Provincial Government for the relief of the victims of the Japanese air raid over Kweilin.

The Commission has also telegraphed General Chang Chun, Chairman of the Szechwan Provincial Government, asking him to instruct the Nanking magistracy to relieve and accommodate the refugees rendered homeless by a recent Japanese air raid over that district. (Central News).

## Agricultural Development In Kwangtung

SHIUKWAN, Aug. 8 (Central).—Credit loans amount to \$37,912,353 were extended by the Kwangtung Provincial Bank from 1938 to the end of last July for the development of agriculture in Kwangtung.

Of this amount, \$27,515,680 was for productive enterprises, 1,106,815 for water conservancy, \$84,432 for reclamation, and \$92,600 for co-operative societies.

Up to the present, \$11,621,203 of the amount has been repaid with loans from the bank a total of 13,615 co-operative societies have been established with 42,486 members. Efforts are now being made to consolidate these organisations.

### TUNG TREES

The bank has invested a large amount in forestation in the province. An area of 115,000 mow has been marked out for the cultivation of 4,700,000 tung trees in the current year.

The bank has also established a ranch in Linhsien, breeding 1,000 cattle in the first stage.

### HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted  
on Friday, Aug. 8, 1941.

SALES			
Cements	150	\$14.50	
H.K. Hotels	500	3.30	
	650		
The total value is \$3,825.00			

### HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE, SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Bids	Offers	Friday 8 August	Buyers	Sellers	Bids	Offers
<b>Banks</b>								
\$1390	X.D.			H.K. Banks		X.D.		\$1316
				Do. (Col. Reg.)				276
				Do. (Lon. Reg.)				278
				Chartered Bank				282
				Mercantile Bks. "A"				232
				Mercantile Bks. "C"				211
\$754		\$76		Bank of East Asia				76
				N. C. & S. Banks	17	ct.		
<b>Insurance</b>								
\$225				Canton Insurance				\$225
				Union Insurance				\$400
\$185				Underwriters	75	cts.		
				H. K. Fires				\$185
<b>Shipping</b>								
				Douglases				\$120
				Steamboats				\$6.40
				Indo-China (Prof.)				\$90
				Indo-China (Def.)				\$70
				Shells				\$94/4
				Waterbills				\$6.55
<b>Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.</b>								
				H. K. & S. Wharves				\$90
\$5.80				Providents				\$5
\$154		\$154/55		H. K. Docks (Old)				\$10.55
				H. K. Docks (New)				
				Shanghai Docks				\$25
<b>Mining</b>								
				Kailash				13/6
				Rauhe				\$7.80
				Hong Kong Mines				
<b>Lands, Hotels and Buildings</b>								
\$3.20				H. K. & S. Hotels				\$3.15
\$35				H. K. Lands				\$244
				Do. 4% Debentures				\$974
\$3.10		\$18.40		Shanghai Lands				\$3.20
\$1014				H. K. Realities				\$6.80
				Thompsons				
				Chinese Estates				
<b>Cotton Mills</b>								
				Ewo (S)				\$35
				S'hai Cottons (S)				\$305
				Zong Sing (S)				
				Wing On Textiles (S)				\$125
<b>Public Utilities</b>								
\$16.80		\$16.80	X.D.	H. K. Tramways		X.D.		\$16.70
				Peak Trams (old)				\$74
				Peak Trams (new)				\$32
				Star Ferries				\$53
				China Lights (New)				\$5.90
\$21		\$21.80		H. K. Electric (Old)		X.R.		\$130
\$10.90		\$10.90		H. K. Electric (New)				\$11
\$18		\$18.60		H. K. Electric (Rts)				
				Macao Electric				
				Macao Electric				
				Sandakan Lights				
				Telephones (old)				\$33
				Telephones (new)				\$9
<b>Industrials</b>								
				Cald, Macg. (Ord.) B.				
				Cald, Macg. (Prof.) B.				
				Canton Ice				75 cts.
\$14.20				Cements				\$14.20
\$6.40				H. K. Ropes				\$8.20
				H. K. Govt. Loans				
\$804				4% Loan				\$747
\$84				3 1/2% " (1934)				94
\$94				3 1/2% " (1940)				
<b>Miscellaneous</b>								
\$18		\$18		Dairy Farms				\$19
				Entertainments				\$94
				Constructions (old)				\$1.05
				Constructions (new)				\$0.45
				Lane Crawford				\$24
				Nanyang Tobacco				\$2.05
				Sincere				\$10.05
				Watacos				\$87
				Ch. G. B. 1925 G. B. B.				\$43
				H. K. Wing On				\$14
				Vibro Piling				\$94
				Marmans (Inv. (L.K.))				
				1/4				
				Wm. Powell				\$14
				N.A. Chemicals (H.K.)				\$54
				†Sale to Shanghai				

## KEEN I.S.P. INTEREST IN TRADE UNIONISM

"I do not intend, neither am I in a position, to offer any opinion," said Mr. E. M. Allen, Chairman, presiding at the annual general meeting of the Incorporated Society of Planters held at Kuala Lumpur, referring to the subject of trade unionism.

"This is a matter which is being taken up by all I.S.P. branches through out the country and is down for discussion at the Council meeting which follows immediately after this meeting," proceeded Mr. Allen.

"However, my feeling is that whatever action may be agreed upon by your Council, nothing will eventuate to alter the society's present and past policy of keeping the friendliest liaison with our employers."

Mr. T. E. Upton, presenting the accounts said:

The income from subscriptions at the half year was \$7,290.43 leaving a balance of \$3,108.07 still to be collected. At the end of June—9th month—the figures were \$18,401.50 and \$2,141.00 respectively. A sum of \$510 being subscriptions due from members on active service is included in the amount shown as unpaid.

It is hoped that members on Active Service will pay their subscriptions when possible but at the same time these members will not forfeit their membership if their subscriptions are not paid.

### THE "PLANTER"

Expenditure on I.S.P. Account has been \$8,368.59 against an estimate of \$17,420 for the year. The cost of issuing the "Planter" has been \$148.23 against an estimate of \$1,286. I think the Editor and the "Planter" Committee ought to be congratulated on this satisfactory result. The Technical Education Scheme has cost \$1,615.

### CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

Mr. Allen said: In my annual report I stressed that owing to the war and its effects I could not convey any other than the impression that we had but carried on efficiently and this still applies today. Therefore, in the circumstances, the necessity does not arise for me to make a lengthy speech. I shall but skim over the main features of the Society's activities during the past few months.

Amongst matters of general interest to us are two new items (a) the War Tax, (b) Trades Unions.

### TRADE UNIONS

Taking the first item your Council has under consideration a further approach to Government for some amelioration to married men and their families, as it is felt that in its present form the bachelor is definitely favoured.

Regarding the second item, Trades Unionism, I do not intend, neither am I in a position, to offer any opinion. This is a matter which is being taken up by all I.S.P. branches throughout the country, and is down for discussion at the Council Meeting which follows immediately after this meeting. However, my feeling is that whatever action may be

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## CHINA'S TEA EXPORT

China's tea export has registered a big increase during the past year or so, according to a responsible official of the China National Tea Corporation.

It is expected, he said, that the export in the current year will reach 200,000,000 cases.

Efforts to increase tea production have been redoubled in the southwestern provinces where \$15,000,000 credit loans have been extended for the purpose. (Central News).

agreed upon by your Council, nothing will eventuate to alter the Society's present and past policy of keeping the friendliest liaison with our employers.

I appeal to all members to study this subject in a calm and unbiased spirit and to support the Council in any decision arrived at, as only by so doing can we ensure that the influence of the Society with the employers will in no way be impaired.

The I.S.P. Fighter fund now totals nearly \$30,000. We want \$15,000 more. Can we do it? My last appeal to members produced a \$12,000 response, may I hope for the balance in this final appeal I now make.

### COST OF LIVING

Cost of living has undoubtedly increased owing to the war and a further rise has been very noticeable lately, probably due to the very welcome influx of troops into the country for our protection.

There must be cases of difficulty amongst some of our members to meet this extra domestic expenditure, particularly amongst those whose income is getting dangerously near the subsistence level owing to heavy family liabilities.

I have in mind particularly married assistants and men with wives and children overseas, where the cost of living in every direction has increased enormously, entailing extra remittances. I would ask all employers to give full consideration to each individual case and, where necessary, make a war time concession.

### NOT UNREASONABLE

In view of the fact that all rubber companies are in a financial position to do so, such request is one that cannot be considered unreasonable. It is a fallacy to

## Water Conservancy Commission

CHUNGKING, Aug. 8 (Central).—The National Water Conservancy Commission has been formally inaugurated here.

According to Mr. Hsueh Tu-pi, the Chairman, all administrative work pertaining to water conservancy throughout Free China will henceforth be handled by the Commission. For the present, he said, efforts will be made to construct new irrigation systems in the country with a view to increasing food production.

The Yangtze River Water Conservancy Board, the Yellow River Water Conservancy Board, and the Kiang-Han Engineering Bureau will shortly be amalgamated with the Commission.

suppose that all planters are more prosperous owing to the increase in commodity prices and the 100 per cent. release of rubber. As a matter of fact I believe that quite a number are receiving no material benefit at all.

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Credits 4 months sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 470	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 52 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand 102 1/4	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 82 5/8	
On demand	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 15/16	
Credits 60 days sight 25 5/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 46 3/4	
On Manila:—	
On demand 49 7/8	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 149 1/2	
On Sterling Rate:—	
Bank Buying Rate Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz. 23 7/16	

## Market Report

## FROM ROZA BROS.

Friday, Aug 8  
Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 237/16 for both Ready and Forward. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.  
The London New York cross rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York London was quoted at 403 1/2.

## MARKET

Quiet  
STERLING  
There were sellers at 1/3 up to October, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for Spot.  
Cash

## U. S. DOLLARS

Selling rate to Merchants at 25 1/16  
SHANGHAI DOLLARS  
Nominal. Merchants were quoted early in the morning at 487. Towards lunch time 493 could have been obtained.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 31 6/4 for Spot and closed weak at 215/16 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 51 1/2 and closed weak at 47 7/8 for Spot.

## AFTERNOON MARKET

Quiet.  
STERLING  
There were sellers at 1/3 up to October, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for Spot.  
Cash

## U. S. DOLLARS

Selling rate to Merchants at 25 1/16  
SHANGHAI DOLLARS  
Nominal at 495.  
SHANGHAI MARKET  
Sterling opened in the afternoon at 215/16 and closed weak at 217/8 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 47 7/8 and closed with sellers at 43 1/16 for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Aug. 8 (Reuters).

## Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London	0/3	0/3
New York	5	5
Japan	18-5/8	18-5/8
India	18-5/8	18-5/8
Paris	18-5/8	18-5/8
Hongkong	19-7/8	19-7/8

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### TOMORROW

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Chopin Concerto

10.15 a.m. A Relay of Morning Service from the Methodist Church.

12.15 p.m. Chopin—Concerto No. 2 in F Minor, Op. 21.

1st Mov. Allegro; 2nd Mov. Largo; 3rd Mov. Allegro vivace. Alfred Cortot (Piano) with Orchestra cond. by John Barbirolli.

12.48 The Kentucky Minstrels.

Love, Could I Only Tell Thee (Bangham—Cape). Whistler. And I Shall Hear (Piccolomini).

1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 A Military Band Concert with Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) and Olive Gilbert (Contralto).

Cavalcade of Martial Songs (Arr. Nicholls, arr. Gordon Mackenzie for Band). Fun-fun-fun (Rimm-r)—Bic-kershaw Colliery Band. A Jovial Monk Am I (In Poppo)—Andran; The Admiral's Broom (Beyan)—Peter Dawson with Orch Communityland (arr. Stoddon). Grand Massed Brass Bands. We'll Remember (Collier Knox and Ivor Novello); Keep The Home Fires Burning (Lena Ford and Ivor Novello); Olive Gilbert with chorus &amp; Symphony Orch. Under The Banner Of Victory—March (Von Blon, arr. Hewitt)—The Royal Artillery Band.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Compositions of Tchaikowsky. Cossack Dance—"Mazepa"—Sir Hamilton Harty and Halle Orchestra. Chanson Triole—William Murdoch (Piano Solo). Jeanne D'Arc—Adieu, Ports (Farewell, Ye Mountains)—Maria Jeritza (Soprano) with Orch. Melodie, Op. 42 No. 3—Josef Hassel (Violin) with Piano. Aurora's Wedding—Ballet Music London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sirer Kurtz.

2.30 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Programme.

7.15 De Groot and His Orchestra. Webster Booth (Tenor) and Ina Souez (Soprano).

On A Dreamy Summer Night (Krome); Chanson Bohemienne (Boud)—De Groot and His Orchestra. I Want Your Heart (Carter and Haydn Wood)—Ina Souez with Orchestra. Waldeute! Memories (Arr. Finch).

De Groot and His Orchestra. Morning (Stanton—Speaks); Sylvia (Sollard—Speaks)—Webster Booth with Piano. Zinetta (Geeh); When The Great Red Dawn Is Shining (Sharpe)—De Groot and His Orchestra. Love Will Find A Way (from "Maid of the Mountains"—Graham); My Hero (from "Chocolate Soldier"—Stange &amp; O. Strauss)—Ina Souez with Orchestra. The English Rose (from "Merrie England"—Edward German) The Fairy Song (from "The Immortal Hour"—R. Boughton)—Webster Booth with Harp accomp. Les Millions D'Arcade (Serenade—Drigo)—De Groot and The Piccadilly Orchestra.

8.00 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Commemorative.

8.25 London Relay—Listening Post. Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Relay of An Organ Recital from St. John's Cathedral by A. N. Tucker.

1. Overture Occasional (Handel)—Maestoso; Allegro; Adagio; March. Serenade (Schubert). 3. First Movement from Sonata No. 4 (Mendelssohn).

8.50 Valse Solo by Lionel Tertis. "Songs Without Words" (Mendelssohn)—Venerian Gondola Song No. 1—Duetto.

9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 The London Philharmonic Orchestra.

Finlandia—Tone Poem (Sibelius). Hassan (Incidental Music to J. E. Flecker's Drama—Delius).

9.15 Studio—Book Reviews.

9.30 Dellus—"Over The Hills and Far Away" Suite.

The London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir T. Beecham.

9.45—10.00 News in French (On Short Wave only).

9.45 William Backhaus at the Piano. Solree De Vienne No. 6 (Schubert—Liszt). Moment Musicaux in F Minor (Schubert); Impromptu in B Flat, Op. 142, No. 3 (Schubert).

10.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Excerpts from Handel's "The Messiah."

1. Know That My Redeemer Liveth—Master E. Lough and G. Thalber Ball (Organist and Director of Choir of Temple Church). Worthy Is The Lamb—The Royal Choral Society with the Royal Albert Hall Orchestra. He Shall Feed His Flock—Eddie Ackland (Contralto) with Orchestra.

10.30 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.

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10.50 Close Down.

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Transmission I—News Summary. 5.00 p.m.

Full Bulletin. 6.00 p.m.

Transmission V—News Summary. 7.45 p.m.

Full Bulletin. 8.00 p.m.

do. 10.00 p.m.

do. 1.00 a.m.

Trans. II &amp; III—News Summary. 9.30 a.m.

Full Bulletin. 9.30 a.m.

A Chinese Goodwill Mission to Burma has been organised. It is composed of 11 members with Dr. Monlin Chiang, President of the National Tsing Hua University, as leader. It will leave for Rangoon by plane on August 27.

### HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 9 to 16 Aug. 1941.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Days of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Hong Kong Standard Time
Sat.	9	h. m. 10 29	h. m. 03 44
Sun.	10	23 47	01 16
		11 07	04 37
		—	17 34
Mon.	11	00 30	05 11
		11 45	03 08
Tues.	12	00 52	05 55
		12 16	03 36
Wed.	13	01 23	06 47
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Thu.	14	01 54	07 51
		13 24	05 37
Fri.	15	02 30	08 22
		14 22	06 09

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ture No. 8. (ii) No. 3 Detach. return stores. (iii) W/T Sec. as detailed. (iv) Remainder. Signal training as detailed.

Wed. 2, Hung Hom. Mainland Sec. Dress—Summer Battle Order. Training as detailed. Remainder. 2 p.m. H.Q. Dress as above. Half day training.

Fri. H.Q. Dress as detailed in these orders. Presentation parade by H.E. the Governor.

Mobile Column

Mon. 5.30 p.m. Hung Hom. Tnos. detailed. Dress—Overalls. Driving instruction.

Wed. 2.15, Hung Hom. All Pins. Dress—Fighting order, shirtsleeves &amp; helmets. Exercise in N.T.

Wed. 1.45, Hung Hom. No. 1 Sec. No. 1 Pin. Dress—Fighting order, shirt sleeves, helmets. Vehicle and store party.

Fri. 6.30, H.Q. Nos. 1 and 2 (A/C) Secs. and No. 3 Pin. Dress as previously detailed. Gas chamber and exam. papers. Nos. 1 and 2 Pins. Dress as above. Gas chamber and Sec. drill.

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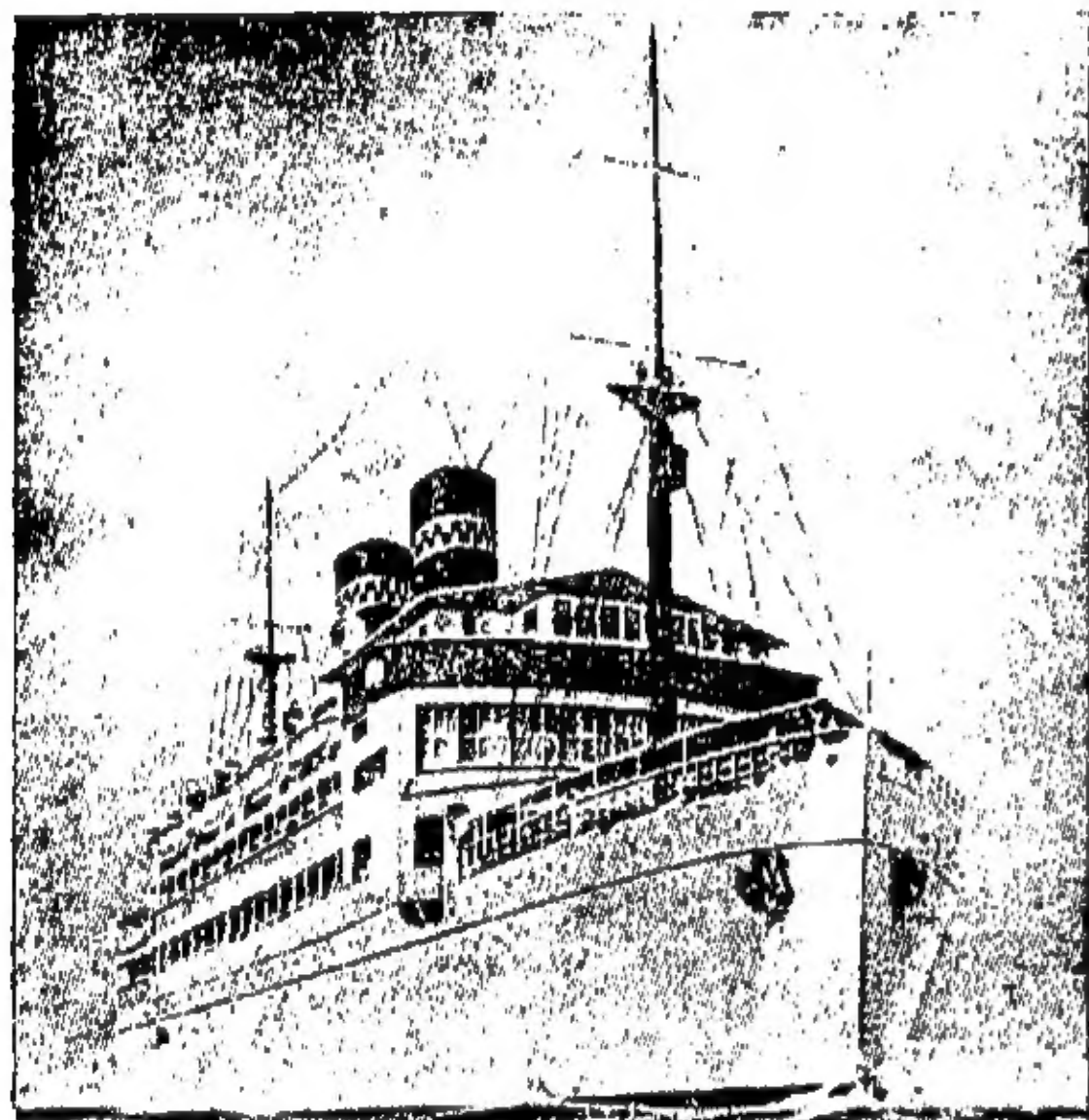
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## Shipment Of 1,900 Tons Of Firewood Due Today: Another Ramp Among The Retailers Now Revealed

BY OUR STAFF REPORTER

"I am expecting a shipment of 1,900 tons of firewood today," said MR. W. J. ANDERSON, Controller of Stores, in a special interview with the Hongkong Daily Press yesterday.

"So far as Government was concerned there has never been a shortage in the Colony as our supplies have been consistently maintained. At present I have six to eight ships carrying firewood and, though I could do with a couple of ships more, they have not done so bad so far," he added.

### FIRE-FIGHTING IN BRITAIN

#### Government To Make Enrolment Obligatory

LONDON, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—"Britain must not burn" is the theme of a new decision by Government regarding fire-fighting in residential areas, writes Reuter's Lobby correspondent.

In the opinion of Mr. Herbert Morrison, Home Security Minister, the people's fire-bomb army must have both adequate numbers and esprit de corps that comes from good organisation and training.

To secure these he is issuing instructions rendering all men between 16 and 60 in vulnerable areas liable to compulsory enrolment unless they are in exempted classes.

#### OWN OFFICERS

Henceforth the fire guard will form part of the air raid warden service but with their own officers and organisation.

Compulsion will reinforce the existing volunteers but must not diminish their numbers and enthusiasm. It will give the compulsory fire guard at places of work an assurance that their homes are effectively guarded during their absence.

Mr. Morrison feels the time has now come to introduce a higher degree of organisation and training for fire watchers, who are now estimated to number 2,000,000.

First step will be to have officers and non-commissioned officers always on duty.

#### THREE ESSENTIALS

Commenting on the proposals, Mr. Morrison said that for the success of the scheme three things were necessary.

Firstly, that volunteers who have given their services devotedly for many months continue their work.

Secondly, that all ranks of wardens and the new fire guard leaders achieve the closest co-operation.

Thirdly, co-operation between the national fire service and the fire guards.

### YANGTSE RIVER FIGHTING

#### JAPANESE TESTING CHINESE STRENGTH

CHUNGKING, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—Chinese Military circles do not attach much importance to the present fighting going on at the north bank of the Yangtze River, northward of Ichang and in the vicinity of Shansi.

Japanese forces, it is believed are launching attacks on the various sectors, apparently for the purpose of testing the Chinese strength as well as to disperse the Chinese concentrations which are threatening the Japanese positions along the Yangtze above Hankow.

Following the continued arrival of Japanese reinforcements in

Questioned as to what he attributed the alleged shortage of stocks held by some retailers, Mr. Anderson revealed another ramp which had been going on among the retailers themselves. Licences, which are issued free of charge by the Stores Controller, have been, and are being, sold from \$5 to \$35 each.

"Firewood is distributed to dealers on production of the licence," said Mr. Anderson, "and, we found, it has been the practice of some retailers to send several employees, each armed with a licence which has been purchased, to collect the quotas. For instance, if a retailer can afford to buy ten licences he will receive ten shares of the shipment."

#### CO-OPERATION NEEDED

As to the public outcry against the soaring prices, the Stores Controller repeated his statement of May that nothing, absolutely nothing could be done to stamp out the racket without public co-operation.

"If people who have been victimised, or are being victimised, will only co-operate with us we could eradicate this profiteering in no time," said Mr. Anderson, who went on to say that it was no use either writing to the newspapers, or even to the Stores Controller, until the writers were prepared to give evidence in Court.

"I shall only be too glad to bring the case up to Court myself if the victim will only give us something definite to work on," said Mr. Anderson.

"Another thing" went on the Stores Controller, "is that those who bought, or are buying, at 25 catties (or any amount less than the Government fixed price) are condoning the offence. All they need to do, if offered less than 45 catties, is to go up to a police officer, or constable, and report the case to him."

Asked what the total import of firewood would be this month, Mr. Anderson replied, "About 19,000 tons."

### What U.S. Newspaper Readers Read First

Jacksonville, Fla.—In these days of big war headlines, national defence and international crises what does a reader turn to first in the daily newspaper?

Prof. Charles Allen of the Medill School of Journalism, told the National Editorial Association recently, a survey of readers of the Anderson (S. C.) Mail and Independent showed:

The majority of women questioned read the comic page before turning to the front page, society or any other section.

The men, the front page first, then comic, sports and local news in order.

French Indo-China, the Chinese High Command is at present taking necessary precautions in Yunnan Province in order to meet a possible Japanese attack on the Burma Road.

Reuter's learns that, defence plans and the disposition of Chinese troops have been satisfactorily arranged between the Central and Yunnan authorities.

### EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN MALAYA AND CHINA RESUMED

The Malaya Foreign Exchange Controller has given permission to the Bank of China, the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, the National City Bank of New York, the Mercantile Bank, and the Eastern Bank to effect exchange transactions with the funds in their possession to finance trade between Malaya and China. Such transactions, however, will require official approval as before.

The accounts in Malaya of the branches of the above-mentioned banks are unfrozen, it is learned. The accounts in Malaya of the branches of the Central Bank of China, the Bank of Communications, the Farmers' Bank of China, the National Government of China and any agency or organ thereof are unfrozen for making payments in the Sterling Area only.—(Central News)

## BLACK-OUT NOT RECENT

### Defence Tactic 75 Years Ago

DENVER.—The "black-out" was an accomplished art long before bomb-laden warplanes dotted the skies over European cities. In fact, it was practiced long before there were electric lights or even before man had conceived the idea of light.

The black-out was a major defence tactic employed more than 75 years ago on the Colorado plains by emigrants seeking protection against marauding Indians. In 1864, the black-out was designed to foil Indian scouts perched on high bluffs and was even more efficient than the 1941 version is to guard against high-flying bombers.

Mrs. Emma L. Hill of Pueblo, Colorado, who is 80 years old, today recalled those black-outs of the '60s had their effectiveness.

She was only 13 when she first experienced them. She was with it wagon train pushing its way through what was then the raw west.

"Indians watching from the bluffs were seen at almost any time," she said. "Often camp was made early. Then after dark, quietly and without lights, the teams were harnessed to the wagons and several miles travelled before camping again, still quietly and in the dark."

#### FIRES PROHIBITED

"Many nights only a cold supper was eaten, a fire being prohibited."

"Sometimes the freighters felt they had to have hot coffee. To accomplish this, they dug deep holes in the ground and built tiny fires on which to make coffee."

Mrs. Hill well remembers many of the hazards of moving across the Colorado Territory from Ohio with relatives 77 years ago. "Travel to Colorado in the summer of 1864 was dangerous," she declared. "It was the year that many of the plains Indians were on the warpath. The government could send but few soldiers, as the Civil War was still in action."

The stage from Omaha to Denver, usually with a few soldiers as escorts, often came through with bullet holes in its leather curtains. Sometimes it failed to arrive. For safety, emigrants had to travel in large trains of 10 to 50 wagons.

She told with clarity of seeing the burned buildings, smoldering haystacks, dead cattle and newly-dug graves—mute evidence of Indian depredations—all along the route west from Omaha. It took her party eight weeks to reach Denver, then a town of 3,500 persons.

## SUMMARY COURT CLAIMS

At the Summary Court yesterday before Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, Tong Yau-chuen, c/o Su Lee Company, of No. 154 Des Voeux Road Central, was sued by South China Morning Post, Ltd., for the recovery of \$54 for work done and materials supplied, and consented to judgment through his mother, Tong Chan-shi, who appeared on his behalf.

Tong Yau-chuen also consented to judgment in another action in which the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., were the plaintiffs, claiming for \$128.25 for meals and liquors supplied at the Gloucester Hotel.

Mr. Kan Yuet-keung represented the plaintiffs in both cases.

### JAPANESE LEAVE 1,700 DEAD

CHUNGKING, Aug. 8 (Reuter).—After desperate fighting the Japanese columns have been driven back leaving 1,700 dead near the wall city of Ichang, the Chinese military spokesman said today.

The Chinese have captured large quantities of arms and supplies.

The Japanese forces in the vicinity of Ichang have launched three unsuccessful attacks recently to disperse Chinese concentrations, he added.

## FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, 9th AUGUST, 1941.

Air Mail to Rangoon to connect with the British Overseas Airways Service will until further notice be closed on Mondays and Fridays. Correspondence for despatch by this route must be superscribed by "C.N.A.C."

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

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<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>Tue. 26th Aug.</b> K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM <b>G.P.O.</b> Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services" .....	

### DUTCH, N.E.I. SHIPPING LOSSES

In the course of the official reply to the debate on the Budget in the People's Council, figures were given of the total losses of the Dutch and N.E.I. mercantile marine as a result of hostile activities from May 10, 1940, until the end of May, 1941.

More than 81,000 gross registered tons were lost to the N.E.I. merchant service and more than 250,000 tons to the Dutch mercantile marine, from a total Dutch and N.E.I. tonnage of 2,989,000.

Reference was made to ship-building schemes for this country, of which details have recently been given, and it was stated that the replenishment of tonnage and the reconstruction of the mercantile fleet has the full attention of the Dutch Government in London.

"Our allies," the Government concluded, "recognise the right of the Netherlands to part of the tonnage now in construction in British and American shipyards."

According to the Java Bode, a bill will be submitted to the present session of the People's Council for the purchase of torpedo planes.

Dr. Slotemaker de Bruine's successor in the directorship of the Aneta Press Agency has just been appointed in the person of Dr. H. A. Colijn, son of the former Prime Minister. He was a member of the Royal Dutch Steamship Company's Staff.

### Tinplate Useless In Malaya?

(Tribune Staff Reporter)

Tinplate salvaged in Malaya can not be made use of locally because there is no plant available in Malaya to process it.

A limited quantity of salvaged tinplate clippings has been exported privately to non-Empire countries recently, but it is not expected that large quantities of available tinplate scrap will be exported to be re-processed in Empire countries, because the question of freight will not make it a profitable venture.

Export of scrap metal is controlled today and no possibility exists of exporting scrap metal to non-Empire countries.

Chinese tinsmiths use large quantities of galvanised iron in their work but do not use tinplate at all.

Supplies of galvanised iron are ample in Malaya but the quantity of galvanised iron and tinplate used in Malaya today is appreciably less than the quantity used before the outbreak of war, the reduction in the pineapple export being a contributory cause.

Tinplate consists of sheets of iron or steel which have been thinly coated with tin by being dipped in a molten bath of that metal. Tinplate is largely used for the manufacture of the tin cans in which preserved meat, fish, fruit, biscuits, cigarettes and other products are packed and also for the household utensils of various kinds made by the tinsmith or silversmith.

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